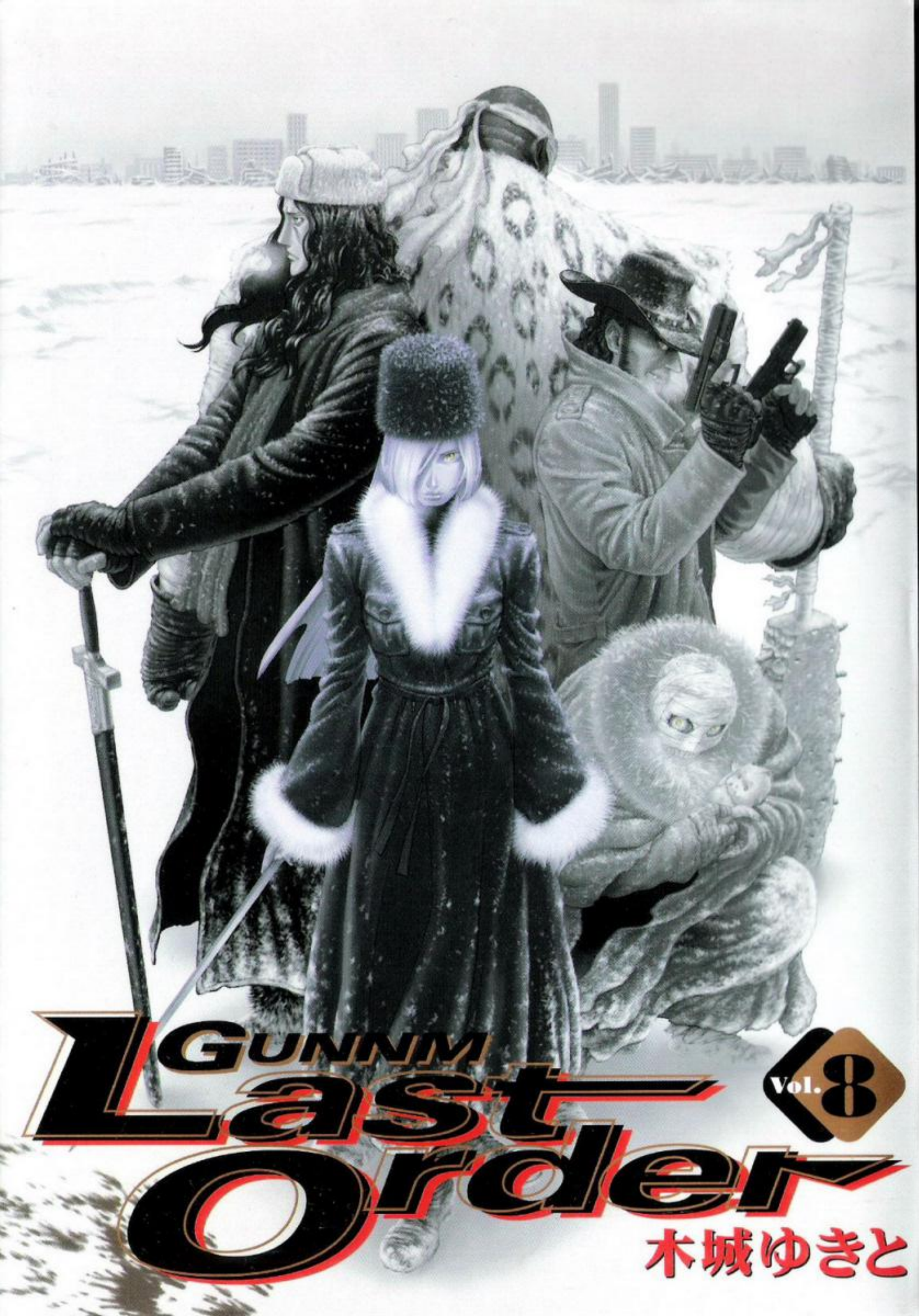

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INTRODUCTION

ジョン

シェルターの指導者の息子。

ヴィクター

ヴィルマのパートナー。

ヴィルマ

後のカエルラ・サングウィス。

亡霊（ゴースト）（ヘイン）

ガリィに倒されたが、
ゴーストとなって、しばしば現れる。

ピング・ウー

元・凄腕（すごうで）ハッカー。
今はガリィの協力者。

ガリィ（ヨーコ）（陽子）

本編の主人公。
火星生まれのサイボーグ戦士で、
機甲術（ハンターウェポンズ）の使い手。

近未来――世界は、支配する者と支配される者とに二分されていた。

圧倒的な力で地上を治めるのは、天空に浮かぶ人工の楽園都市・ザレム。だが、誰が、いつ、何のために、空中都市を造ったのか、知る者はいない。

地上のクズ鉄町に住むザレム出身の医師・イドは、古い瓦礫の中から少女の頭部を発見し、ガリィと名付ける。奇跡的に甦ったものの、彼女の記憶は完全に失われていた。しかし、クズ鉄町での生活は、ガリィの中に眠っていた"戦士"の血を徐々に呼び覚ます。ガリィは賞金稼ぎを生業としながら、貪欲に自己発見の道を突き進み始めた。

ザレムに憧れる少年・ユーゴと出会って恋を知り、彼の死にまみえ魂の慟哭を知った。絶望から逃れようと飛び込んだプロスポーツ・MB界では、帝王と呼ばれる男・ジャンユガンとの邂逅、死闘、決別を経験する。自身を刃のように研ぎ澄ましし、闘い、挑むことによって、ガリィは内なる自分を見つめ続ける。だが、狂気の科学者・ノヴァに改造されたザパンとの戦いの果てに、ガリィは"家族"であるイドを失い、己の命さえも風前の灯火となってしまう。

そのガリィを拾い上げ、新たな道を提示したのは、ザレム地上監察局だった。イド再生の鍵を握るノヴァの行方を追うために、ガリィはザレムの地上エージェント・TUNEDとして生きる道を選んだ。

ガリィは、傭兵のフォギアと知り合い、なくしかけていた"人"の心を取り戻す。そんなガリィの前に、立ちはだかる者が次々と現れた。ノヴァの息子でサイコメトラーのケイオス。ケイオスの第二の人格として生まれ、ザレムに敵対する民衆のリーダー・電。電を慕う少女・コヨミ。ガリィの複製として作られたTUNED・GRシリーズ……。熾烈を極めた闘いの中で、TUNEDシステムをバックアップしていた協力者・ルウは解任され、ザレム人の脳がマイクロチップであるという驚愕の真実が明かされる。

対自核夢（ウロボロス）による脳内ハッキングをはねのけノヴァを倒したガリィは、ついに勝利したかに見えた。が、フォギアのもとへ向かう彼女を待ち受けていたのは、ノヴァが仕掛けた思いもかけないトラップ――ノヴァはナノマシン・テクノロジーによって再生していたのだ。

そして、爆死したガリィの脳は、空中都市・ザレムへと持ち込まれた……。

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ノヴァの手により、ガリィは究極のイマジノス体（ボディ）を与えられ復活を果たす。

行方不明だったルウがザレムの深部で発見されるが、それは脳内チップを抜かれた死体（ぬけがら）だった。摘出され宇宙都市・イエールに運ばれたルウの生身脳（オリジナルのう）を捜して、ガリィはノヴァと護衛のGRシリーズ・ゼクスらと共に、イエールへ乗り込んだ。だが、イエールの実力者・ムバディにノヴァは捕らえられ、ガリィたちは宇宙空間へ遺棄（いき）されてしまう。間一髪、元・凄腕（すごうで）ハッカーのピングと、火星王国・リメイラ女王に救助されたガリィたちは、ルウの脳奪還のチャンスを待つため、イエールで開催される森羅天頂武闘大会（スペース・エンジェルス）・ZOTT（ゾット）（Z・O・T・トーナメント）に出場することに。

ZOTT第1回戦で、ガリィら宇宙天使隊（スペース・エンジェルス）は、カエルラ率いる星の保育園（ステラ・ナーサリー）協会（ソサエティー）・ガントロールを撃破。過去の因縁でつながっていたカエルラから、謎のプログラム『ファタ・モルガーナ』を託された。

つづく第2回戦、星船教団（スターシップ・カルト）との対戦をゼクスらに任せ闘技場を抜け出したガリィは、イエール本体への潜入を企てる。が、かつて機甲術教官（ハンターウェポンズ）だったツァイクと遭遇。激しい闘いの末、ガリィは失っていた記憶を取り戻した。一方、宇宙天使隊（スペース・エンジェルス）はゼクスの踏ん張りにより星船教団（スターシップ・カルト）を退け、次のステージに駒を進めた。

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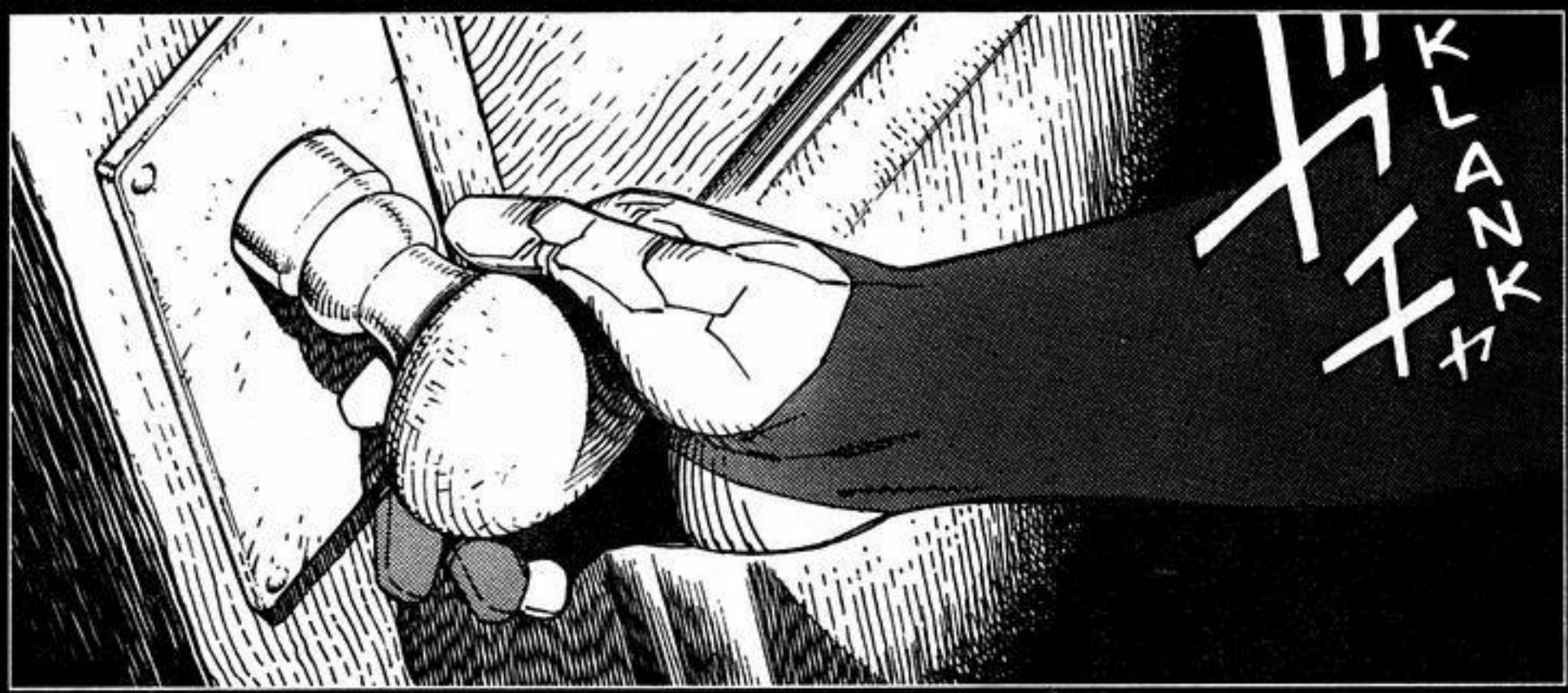
PHASE: 44 - POINT OF NO RETURN I. ALITA



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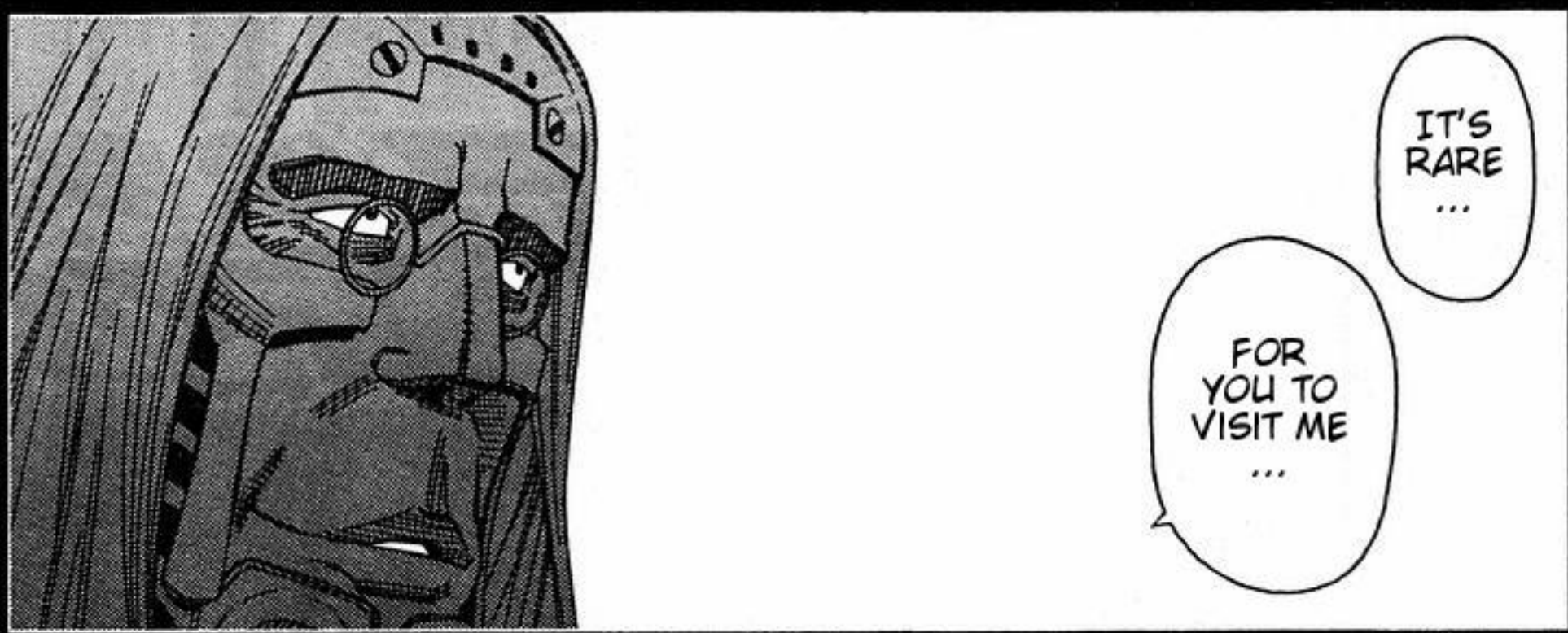
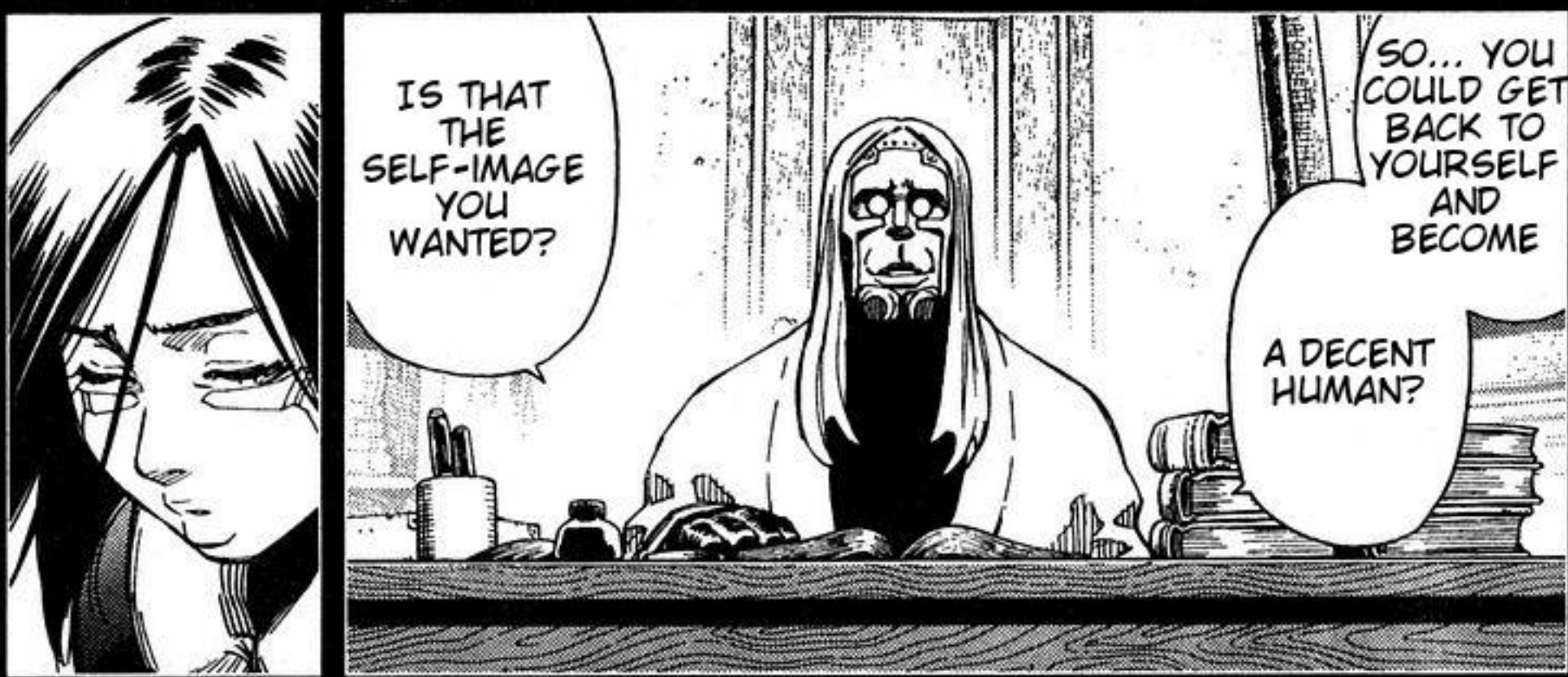

IT'S RARE ...
FOR YOU TO VISIT ME ...

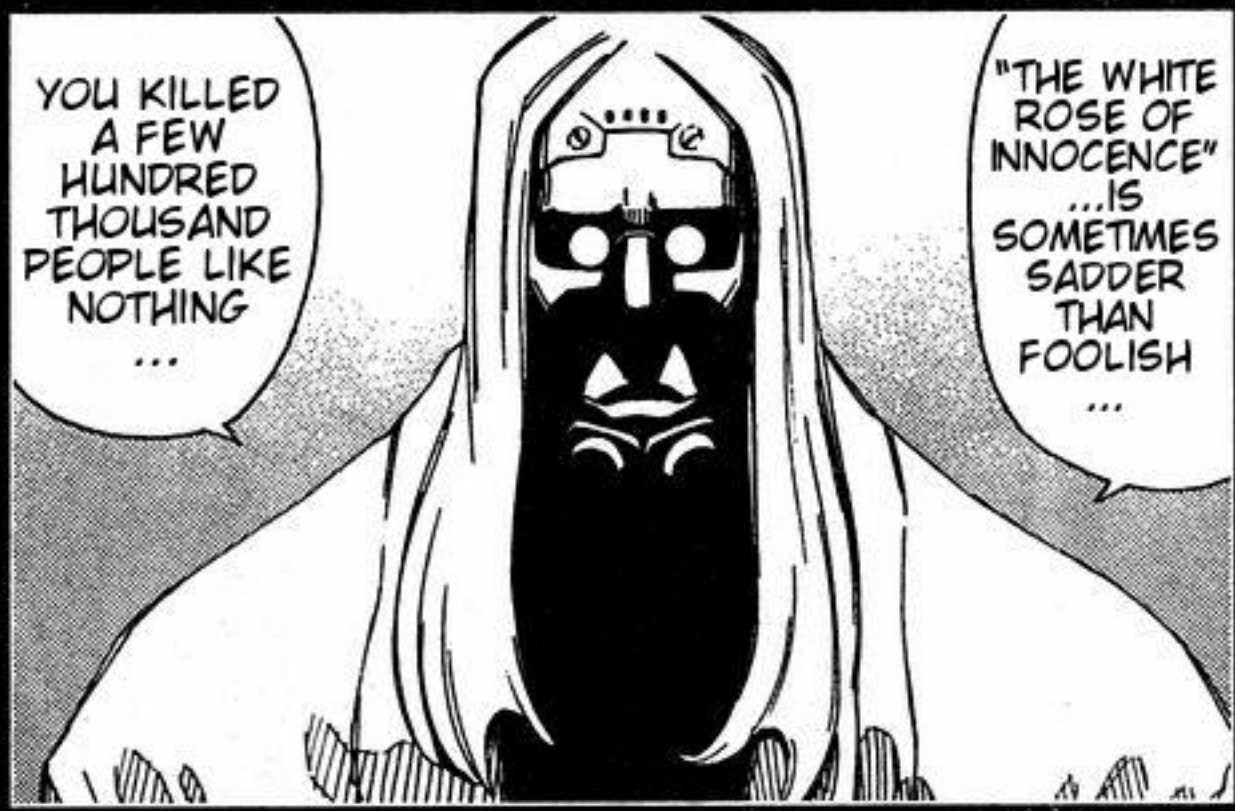
...

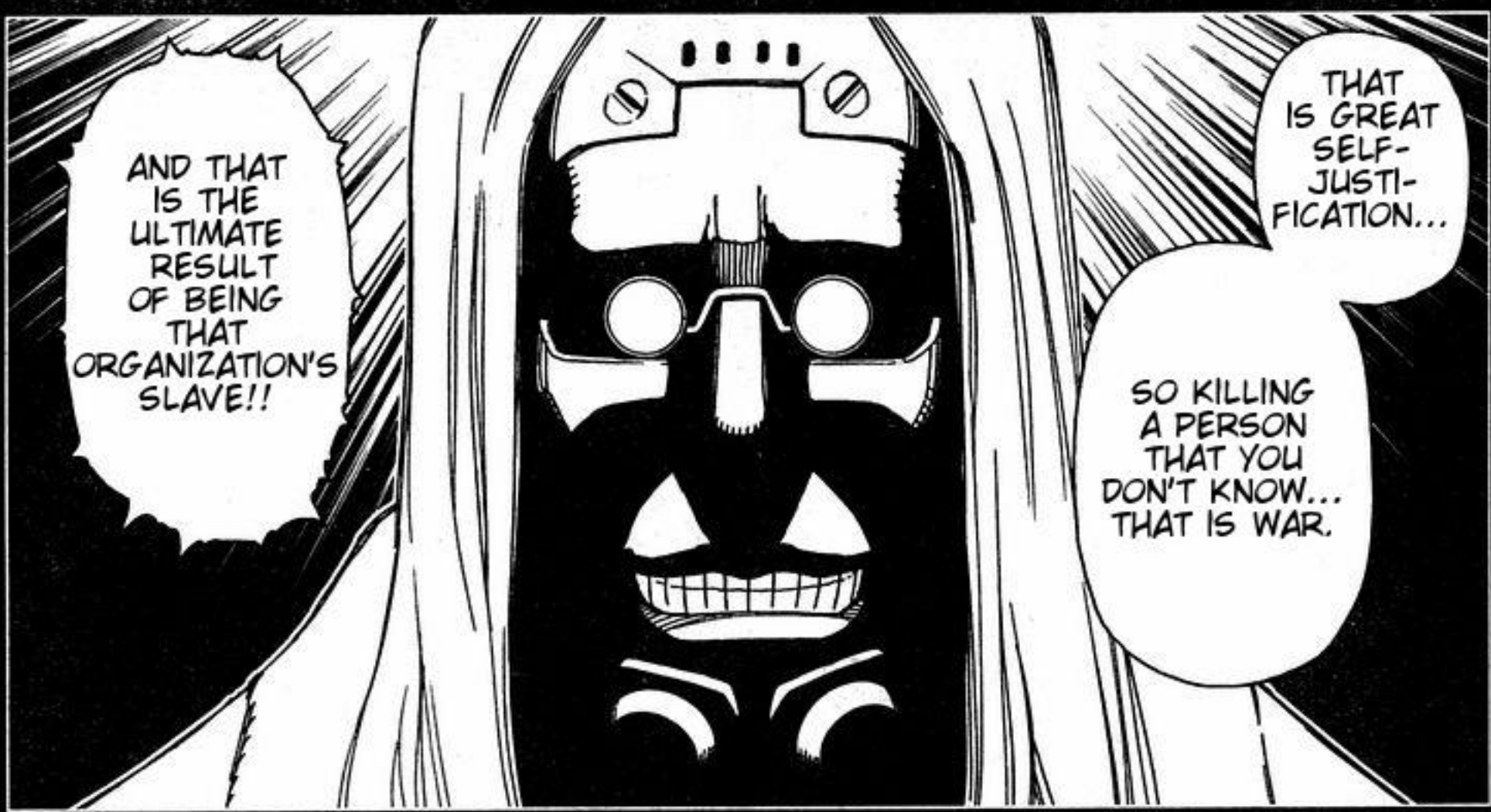

IS THAT THE SELF-IMAGE YOU WANTED?
SO... YOU COULD GET BACK TO YOURSELF AND BECOME
A DECENT HUMAN?

BUT SHE TRIED DESPERATELY TO EXIST...

YOKO WAS...

JUST A KID THAT DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING...





BUT YOU ARE MY DEAR STUDENT, SO I WILL GIVE YOU ADVICE...
SKRE

WHAT...?

STOP TRYING TO ADVANCE ANYMORE ...
YOU SHOULD GO BACK TO WHERE YOU BELONG ...

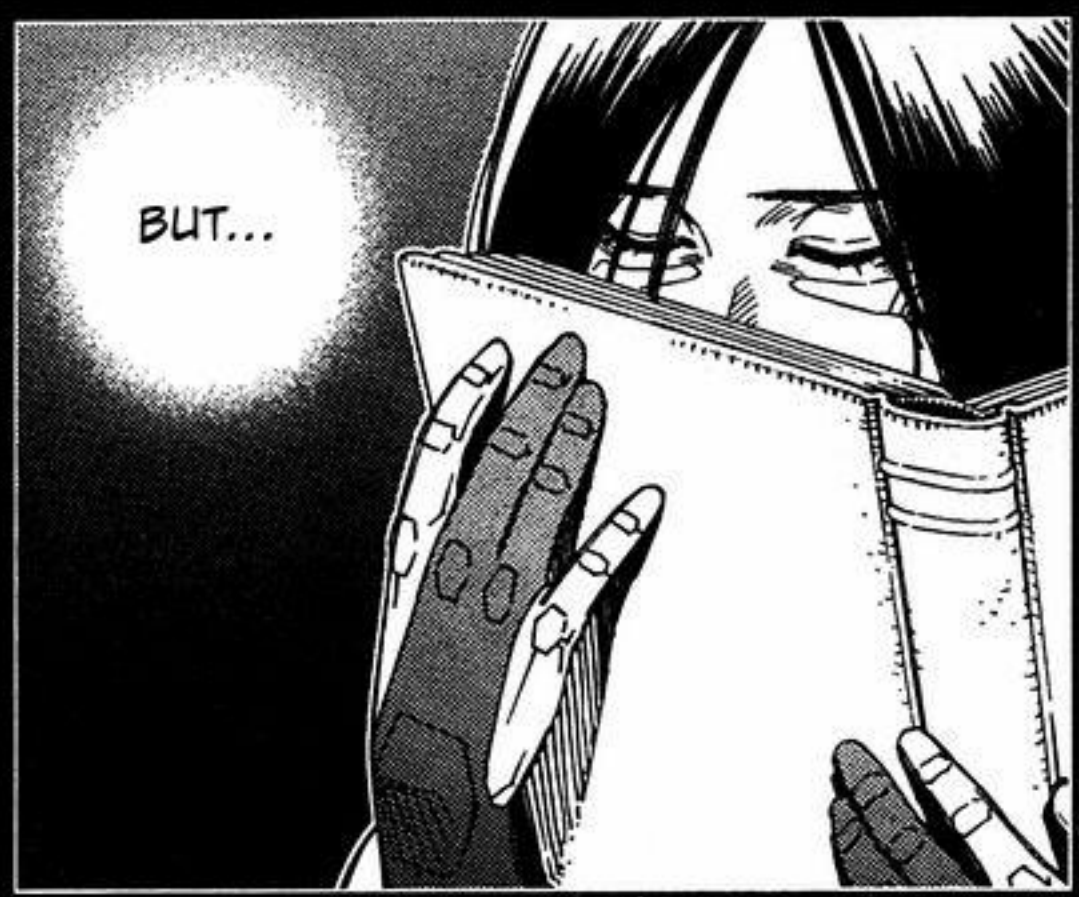
TAP

IT IS STILL NOT TOO LATE...
BA
GO BACK TO YOUR FRIENDS. THEY WILL GIVE YOU A WARM WELCOME.

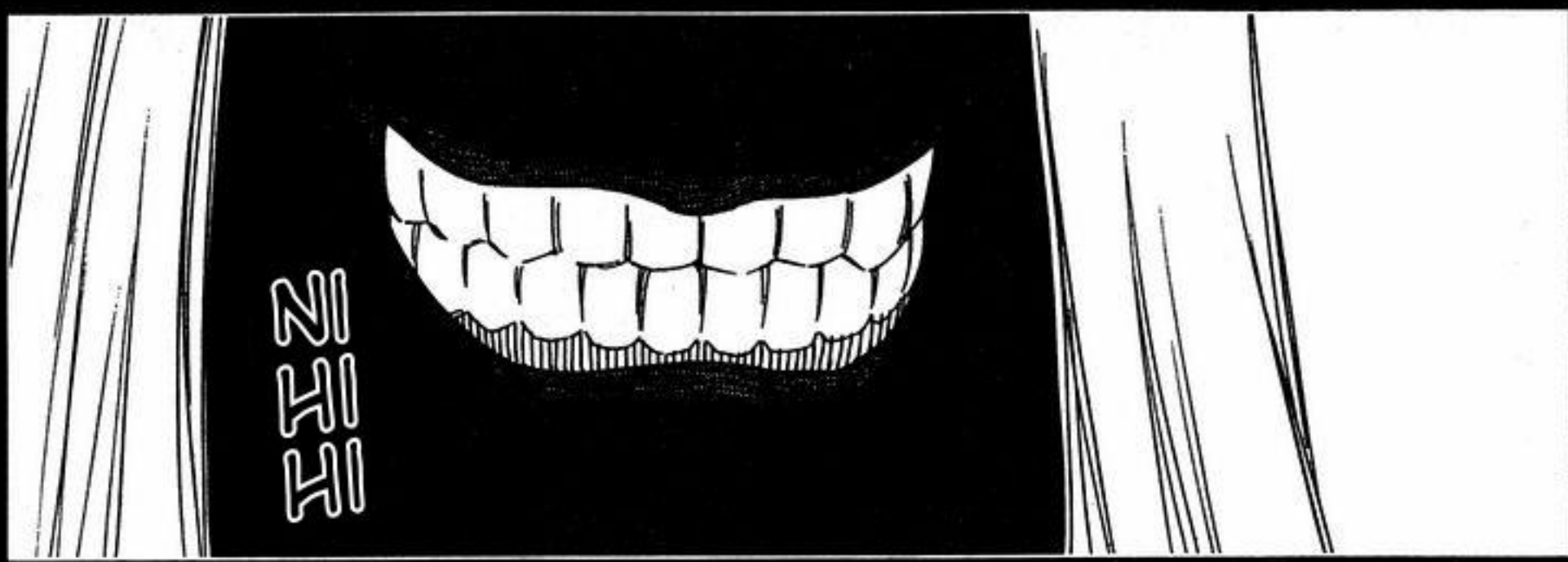
My memorys

AHH... THAT IS NOT BAD...
FORGET ABOUT EVERYTHING AND JUST LIVE LIKE THAT.

NO MATTER THAT YOU ARE A WAR CRIMINAL ...
EVEN IF YOU ARE A FAILURE WHO ESCAPED FROM JUDGMENT ...
THEY WILL NEVER BLAME YOU.



* The name of her boyfriend from the original "Battle Angel Alita"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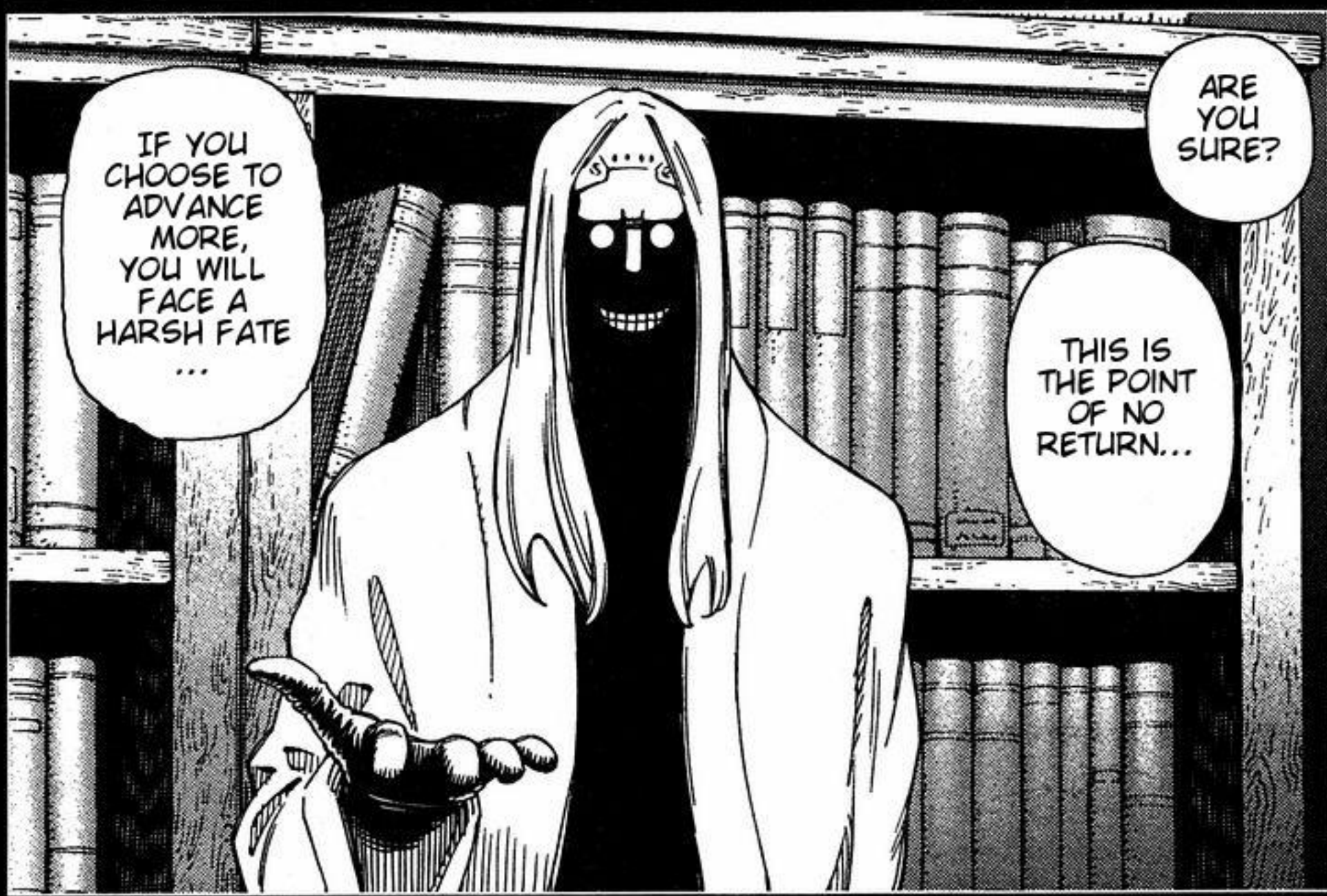
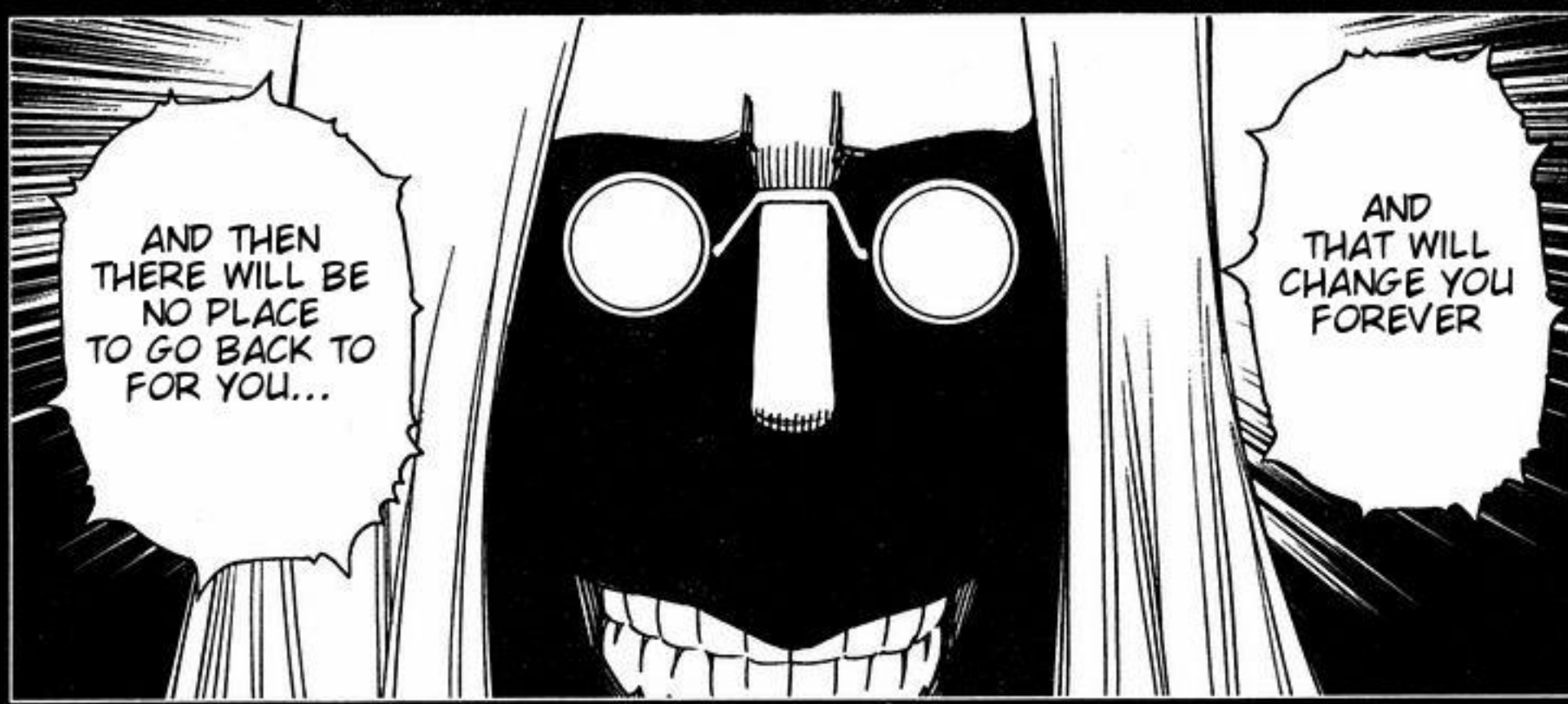
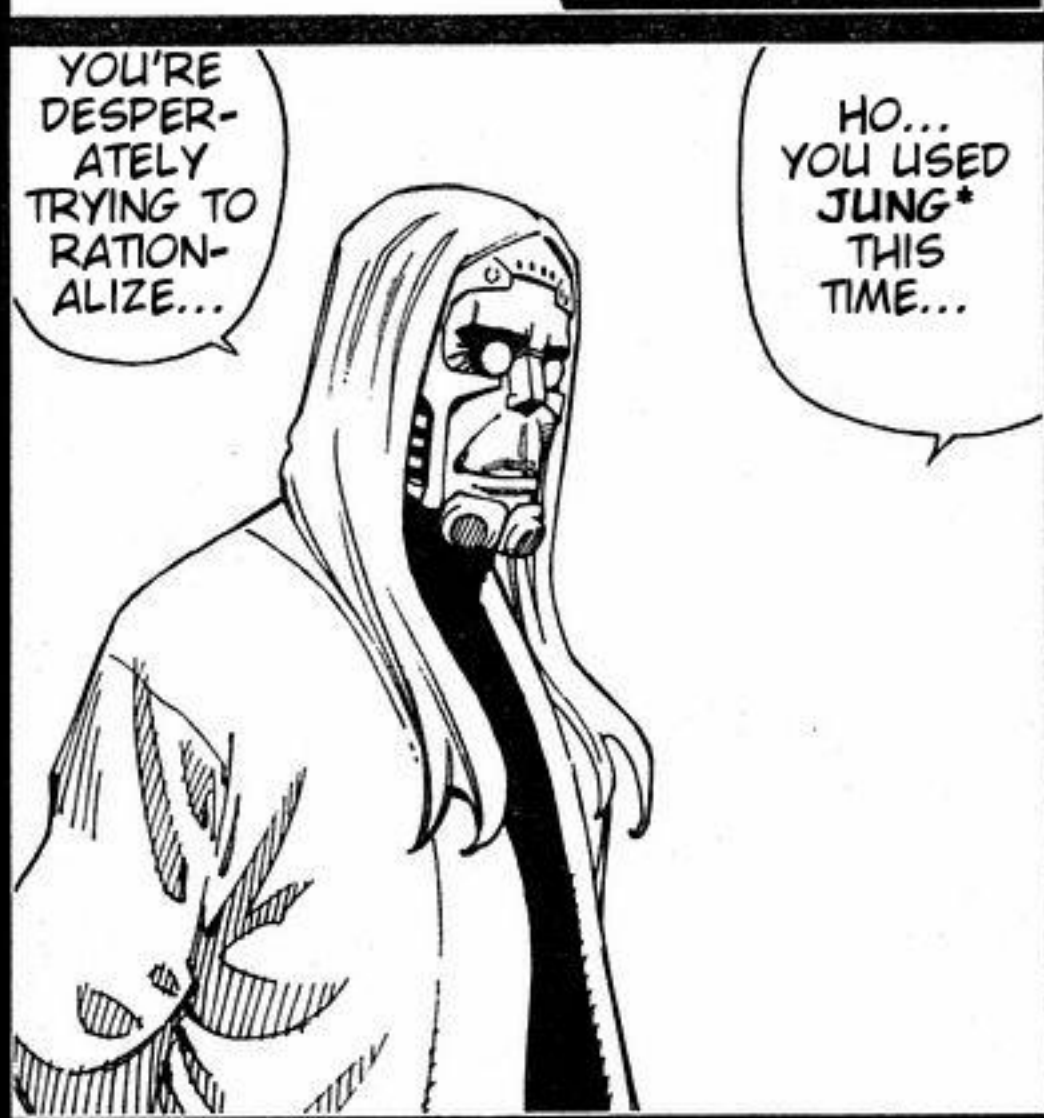

IF YOU CHOOSE TO ADVANCE MORE, YOU WILL FACE A HARSH FATE ...
ARE YOU SURE?
THIS IS THE POINT OF NO RETURN...


AND THEN THERE WILL BE NO PLACE TO GO BACK TO FOR YOU...
AND THAT WILL CHANGE YOU FOREVER



*Jung - Carl Gustav Jung, psychologist and psychiatrist from Switzerland.
First he sympathized with Sigmund Freud, but later he created a different approach to psychology...
"Shadow" is one of Jung's important ideas...

I'M LEAVING THIS TIME...

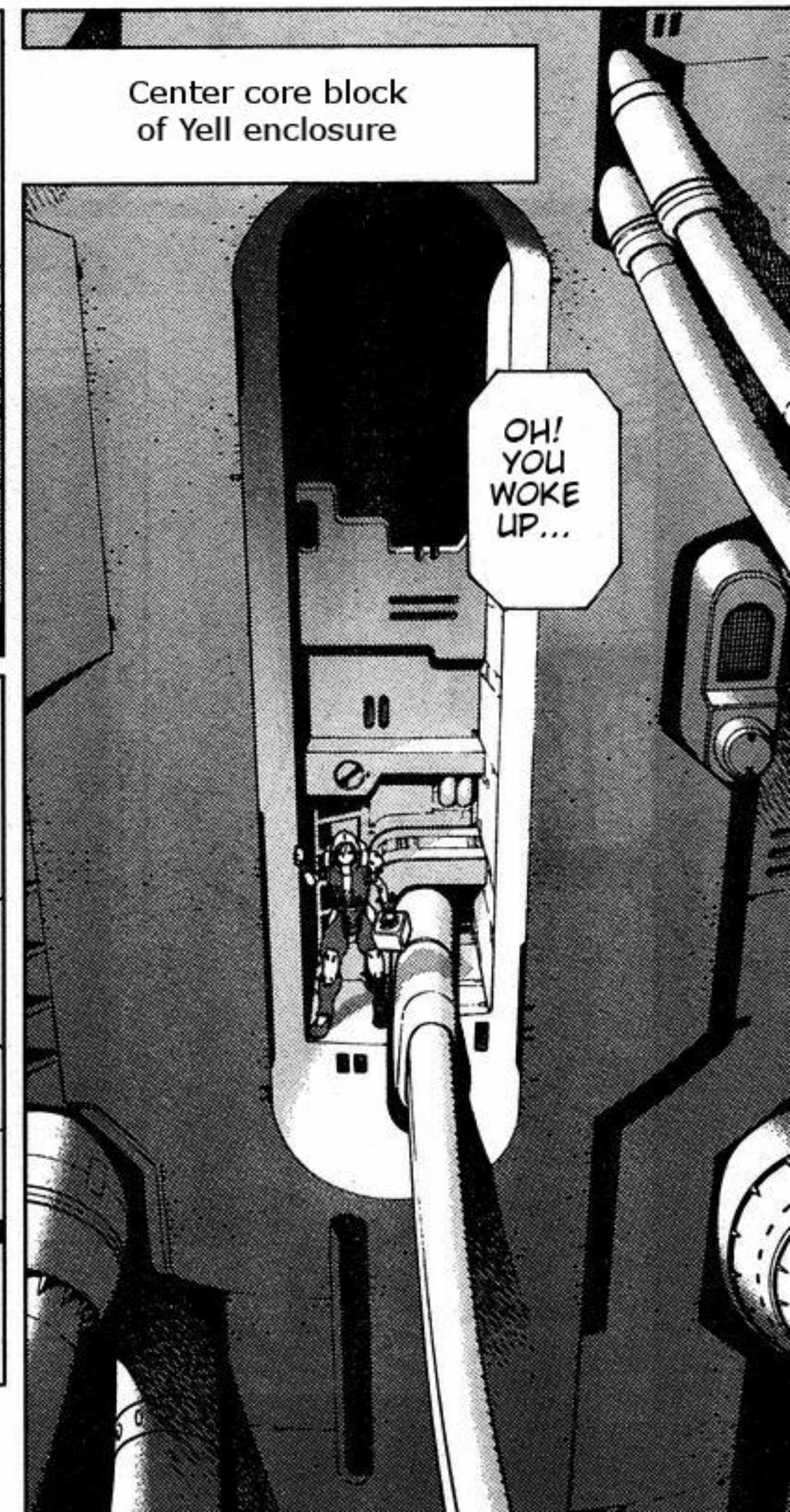
BUT DON'T FORGET...

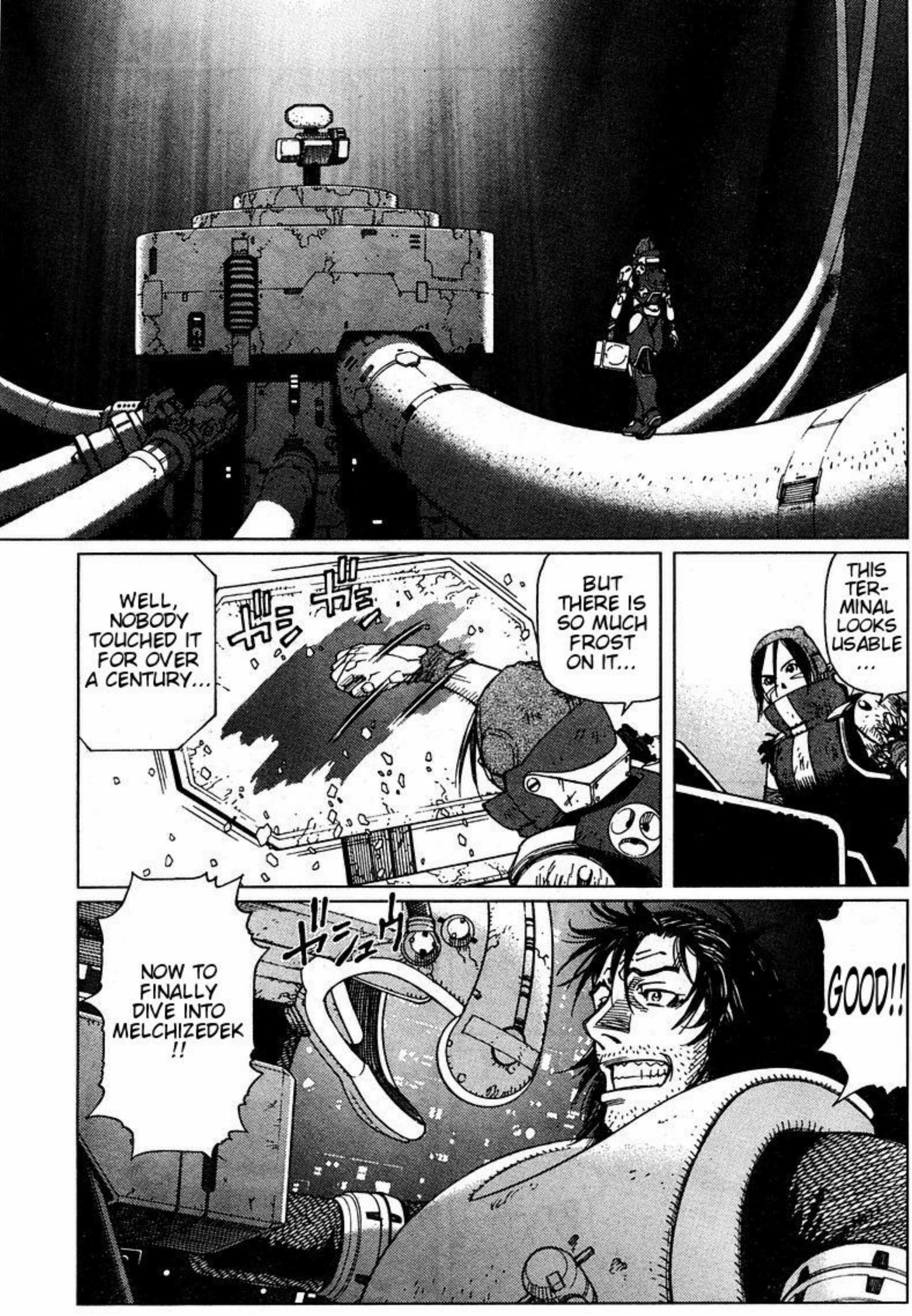
WELL... ALRIGHT ...

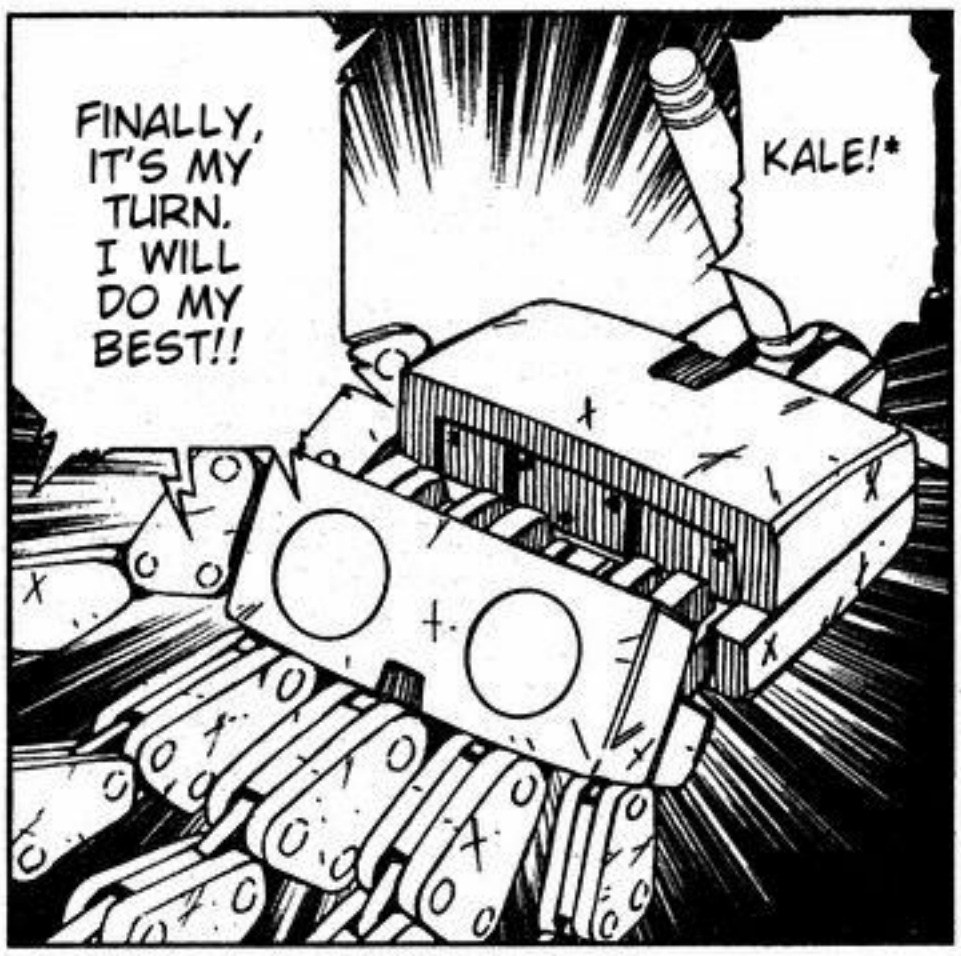
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO ESCAPE FROM THIS DARKNESS ...!!

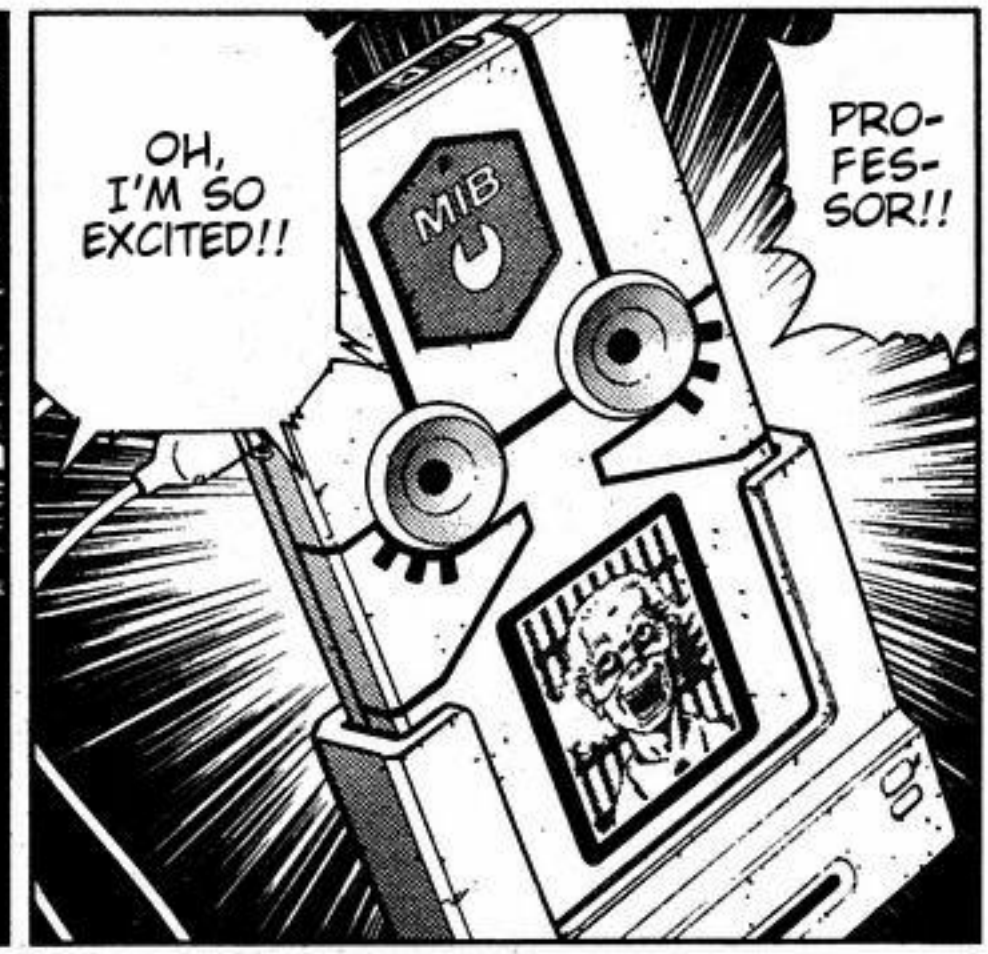
NO MATTER HOW STRONG YOU BECOME... I WILL ALWAYS BE WITH YOU...

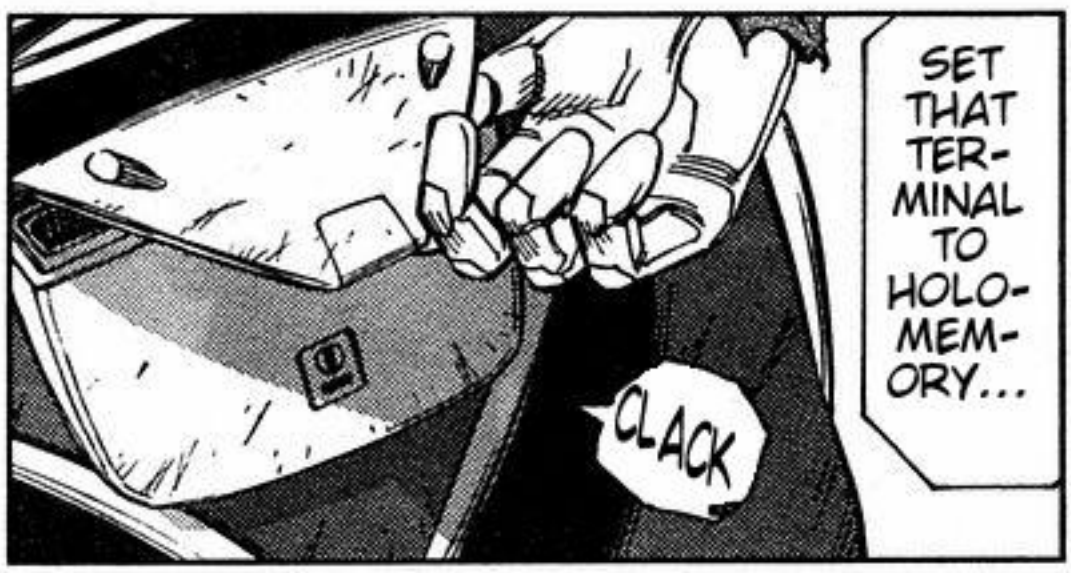
*fufu - small laugh

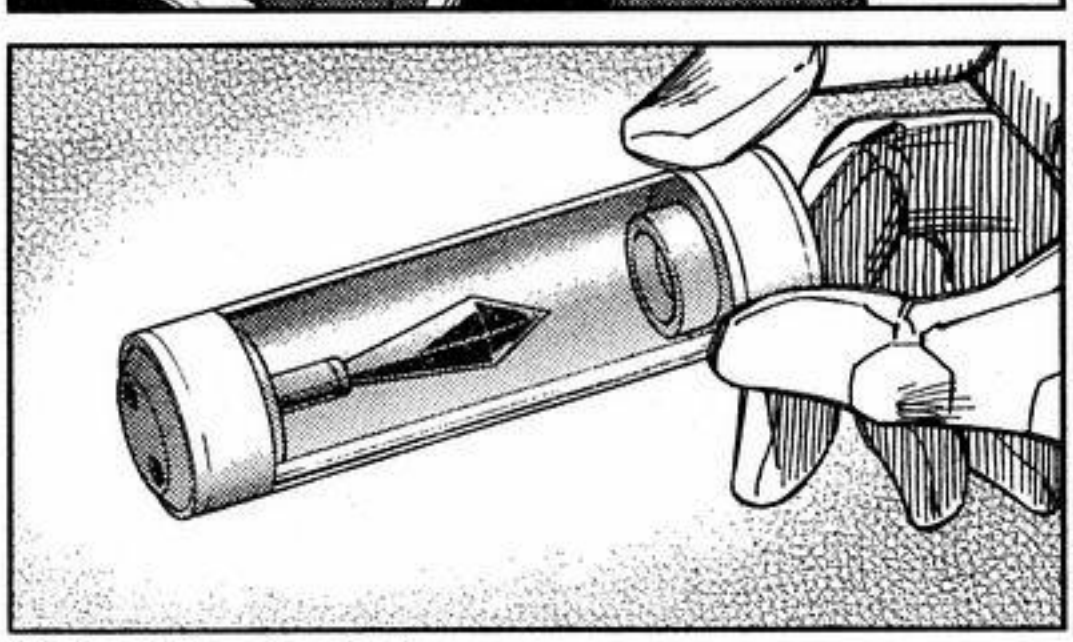


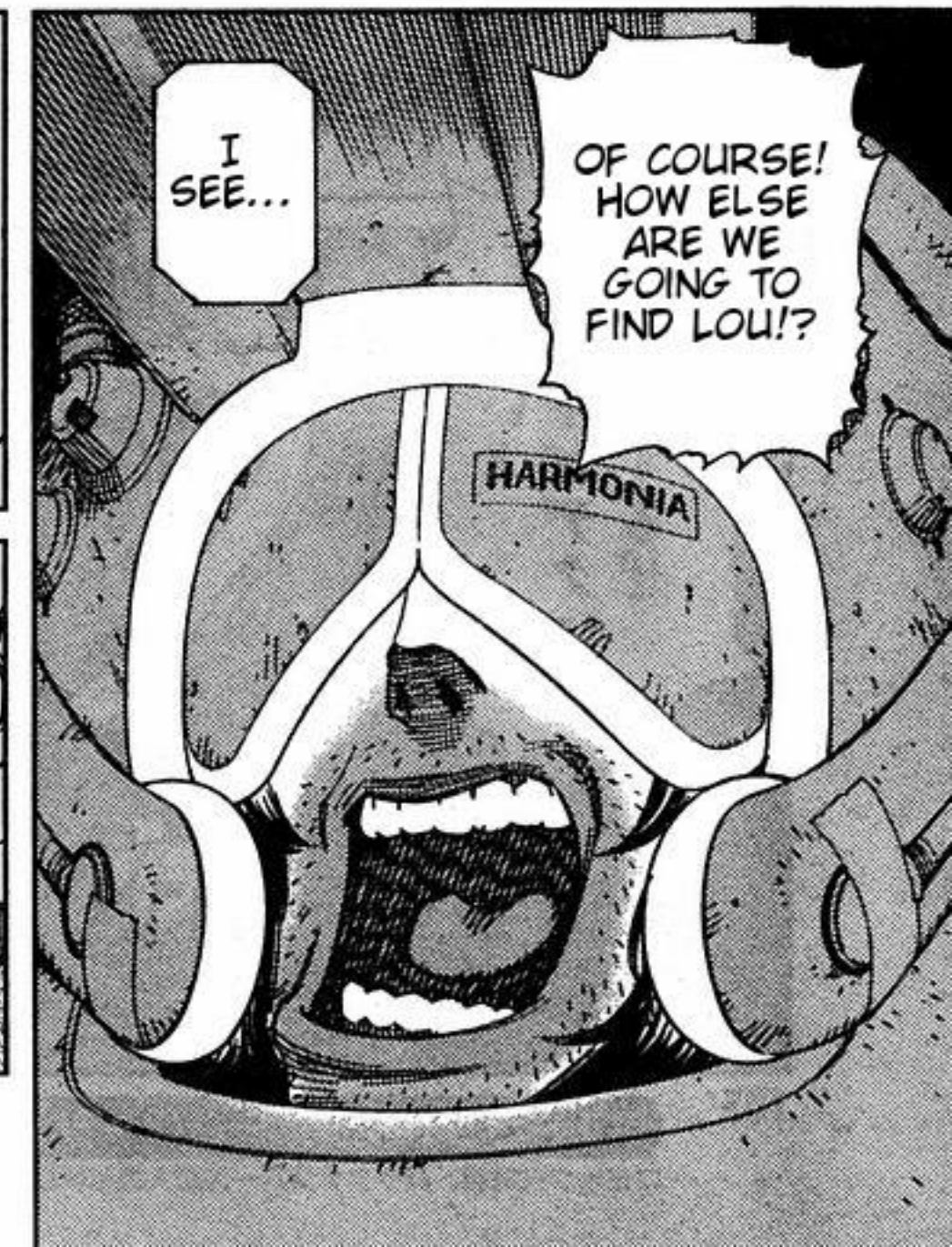

WELL, NOBODY TOUCHED IT FOR OVER A CENTURY...
BUT THERE IS SO MUCH FROST ON IT...
THIS TER-MINAL LOOKS USABLE ...
NOW TO FINALLY DIVE INTO MELCHIZEDEK !!
GOOD!!









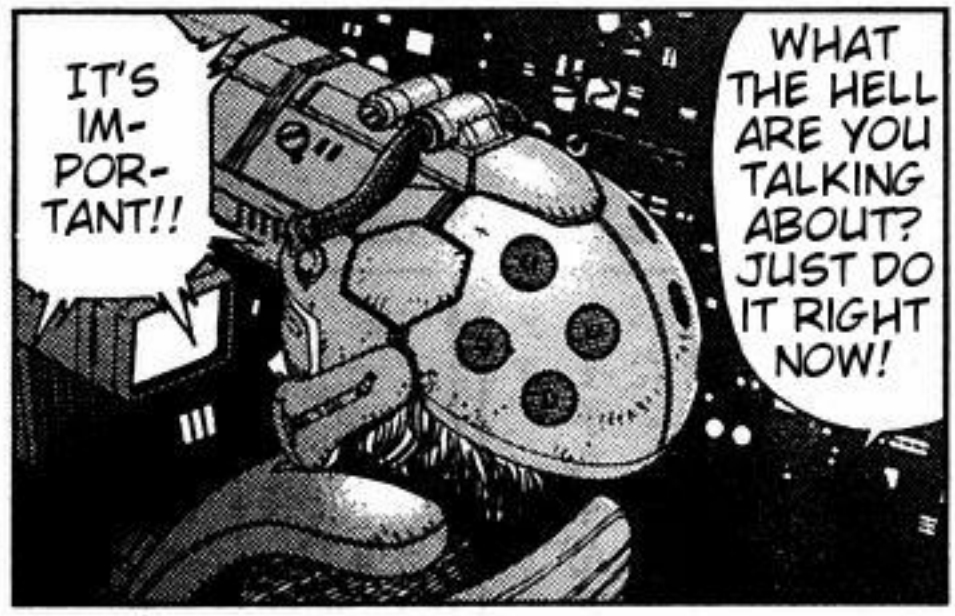


* Ping's hand robot

THIS IS NOT JUST TO DESTROY MELCHI-ZEDEK?

PING... CAN YOU PROMISE ME ONE THING?
...
HUH?

BUT I KNOW I DON'T WANT TO REPEAT THE SAME MISTAKE AND KILL PEOPLE HERE AGAIN!!
I DIDN'T UNDER-STAND WHAT I WAS DOING ...

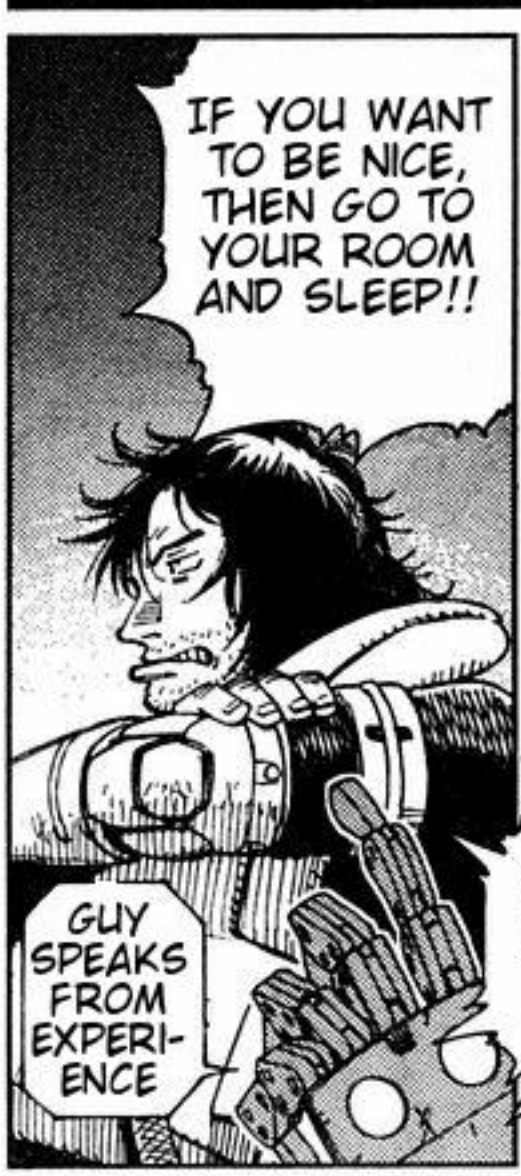

IT'S IM-POR-TANT!!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? JUST DO IT RIGHT NOW!

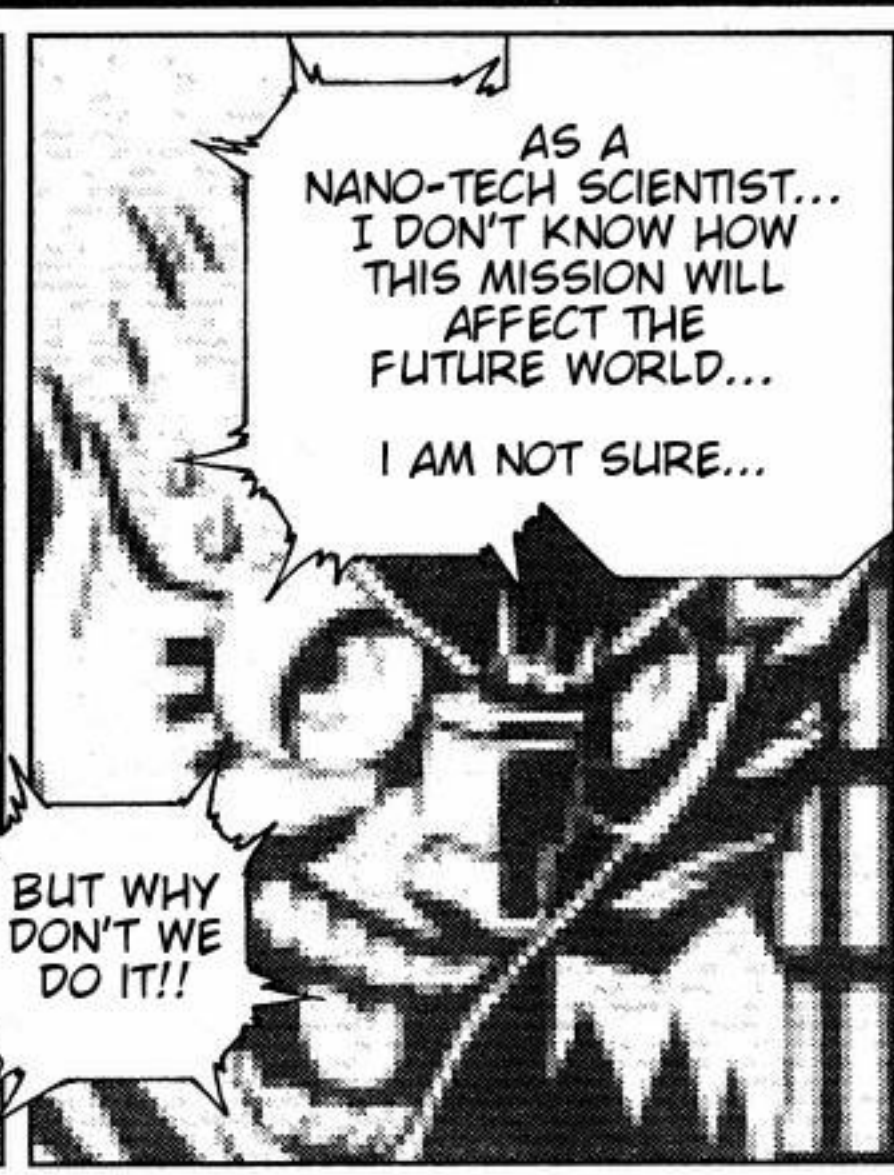
BUT THIS IS NOT A SITUATION TO TRY TO BE NICE... UNDERSTAND?
HEY, HEY... YOU UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE THIEVES?
WE ARE NOT HERE TO DO SOMETHING GOOD OR TO HELP, EASIER TO SAY WE ARE DOING BAD ...

IF YOU CAN'T BE A VILLAIN, THEN STOP THIS MISSION AT ONCE!!
WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?!

I JUST WANT TO HELP LOU !!
I DON'T WANT TO INVOLVE INNOCENT PEOPLE!!

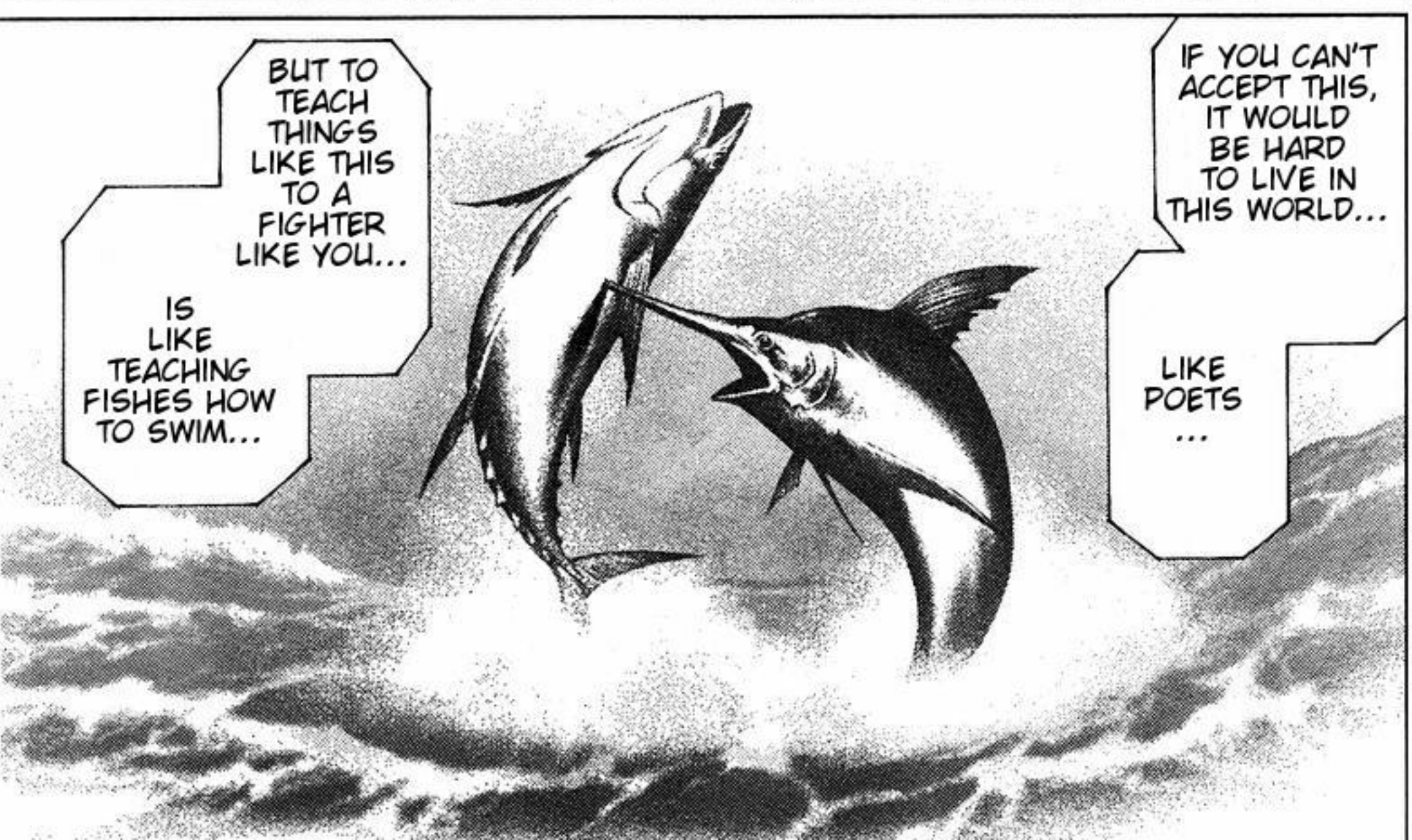
CALM DOWN A BIT...
COME ON, COME ON ...


IF YOU WANT TO BE NICE, THEN GO TO YOUR ROOM AND SLEEP!!
GUY SPEAKS FROM EXPERI-ENCE


AS A NANO-TECH SCIENTIST... I DON'T KNOW HOW THIS MISSION WILL AFFECT THE FUTURE WORLD...
I AM NOT SURE...
BUT WHY DON'T WE DO IT!!

ALITA! I DON'T THINK THIS MISSION CAN LEAD TO ANOTHER CAMRANH TRAGEDY...
BUT!

POINT OF NO RETURN...

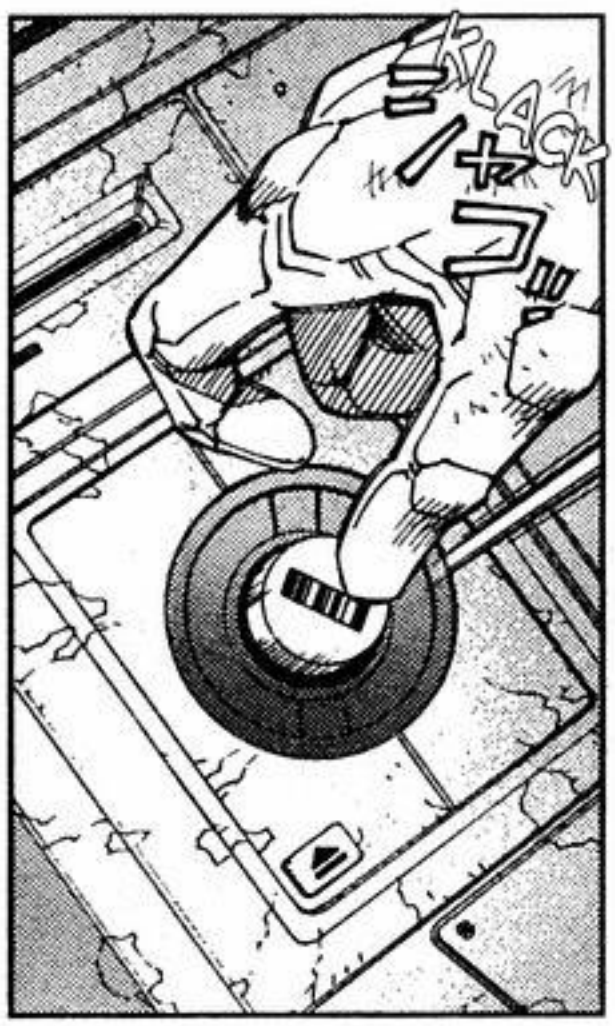


I WAS NAIVE...

I UNDER-STAND...

HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT...

IN SHORT, THE MOMENT YOU DECIDED TO EXCHANGE MY BRAIN CHIPS AS FEE FOR THIS MISSION, YOU ALREADY DESTROYED THE WORLD...



THE DIFFERENCE FROM 200 YEARS AGO IS THAT I DECIDED TO TAKE THIS MISSION MYSELF...

THAT IS REASON ENOUGH...

PLUG IN!!

DON'T RUSH...

SHIN!!

IF WE MAKE A BACK UP, THERE IS NO WORRY...

I'M ALSO HERE, KYAA-HAHAHA!!

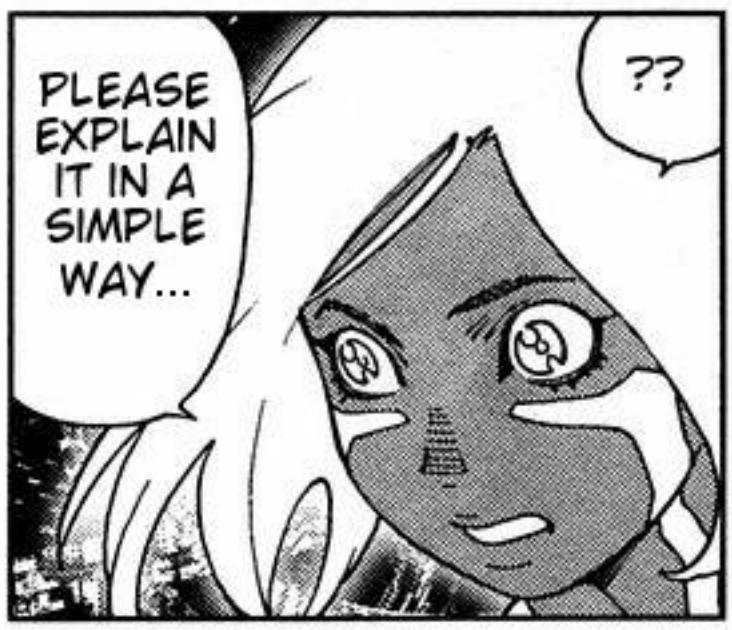
PING! WHERE ARE YOU??

IS THIS THE INSIDE OF MELCHI-ZEDEK...?

TO SAY CORRECTLY, THIS IS A VIRTUAL VIEW OF A SHELL NETWORK THAT FORMS MELCHIZEDEK...

THESE 25 UNITS ARE CALLED **ARTHURIAN***, AND THEY HAVE DIFFERENT KINDS OF FUNCTIONS. THEY ACCOMPANY SUB-ROUTINE PROGRAMS, BUT...

"CAMELOT" IS CONSISTED OF 25 MAIN UNITS.



*Arthurians - knights who were entitled to sit at the round table in the legend of king Arthur.
There are different opinions about the number of Arthurians. (25 is the number of Round table seats from Chester castle)
*Camranth - place where Arthur and Moldered had the last battle in the end of the story...

OF COURSE THEY FAILED... THERE IS A VITAL PIECE MISSING IN THE FIRST PLACE...

IN FACT "CAMELOT" IS LIKE A SCATTERED PUZZLE, UNION TECHNICIANS ARE TRYING TO RESTORE IT,

BUT FOR 200 YEARS THEY HAVEN'T SUCCEEDED...

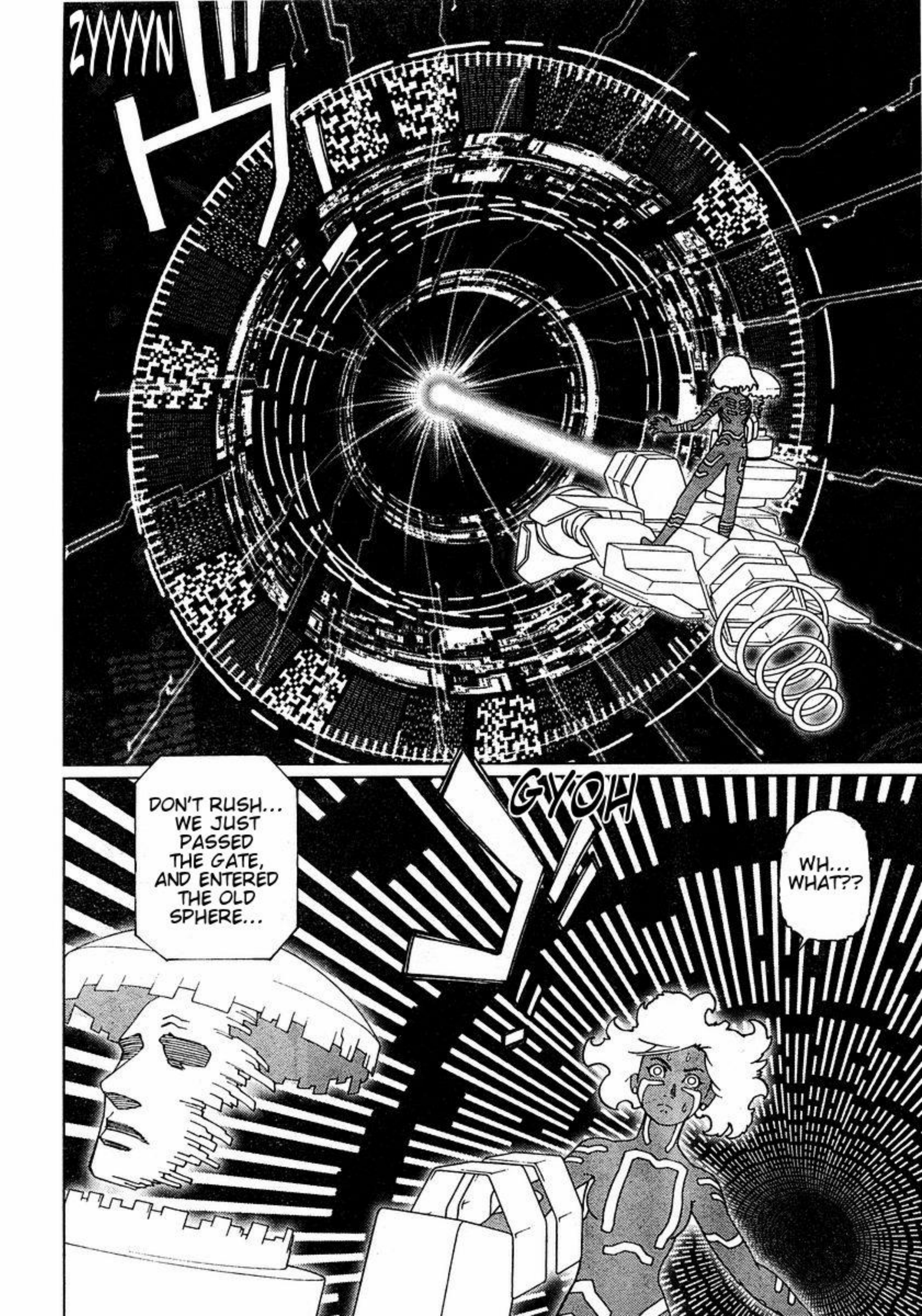
YES... AND HERE IT IS!!

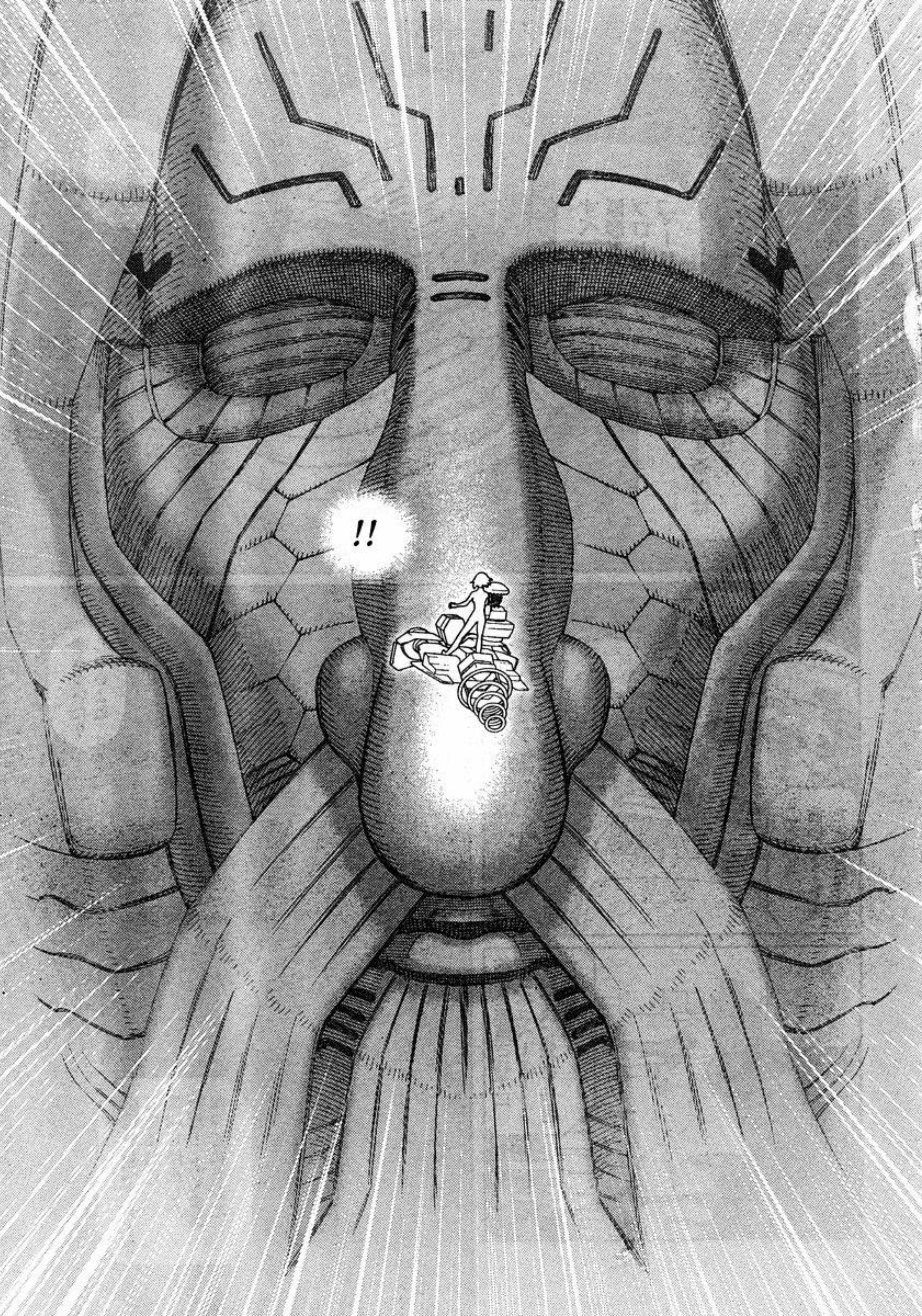
AND THAT PIECE IS "FATA MORGANA"

WOOSH

UNPACK !!

BUT WHY DID CAERULA HAVE SUCH AN IMPORTANT THING...?

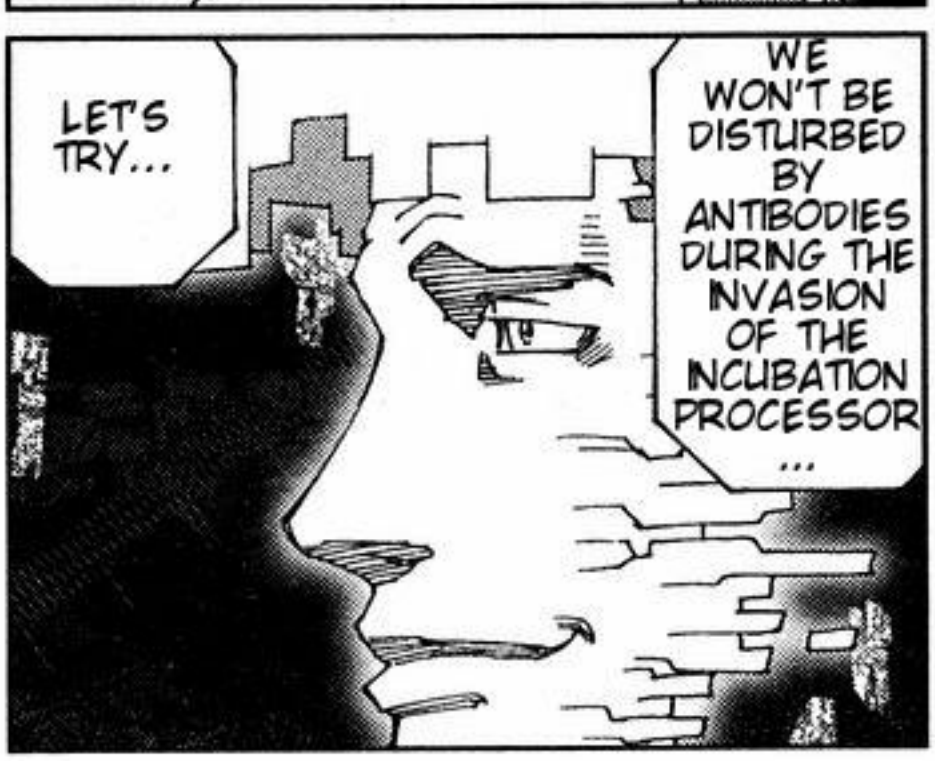

ZYYYYN
DON'T RUSH... WE JUST PASSED THE GATE, AND ENTERED THE OLD SPHERE...
GYOH
WH... WHAT??



A STONE STATUE ??

THIS IS A PROTOTYPE "MERLIN" UNIT, ORIGINAL BASE OF ALL UNITS...

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'M ACTUALLY ACCESSING IT...



IT WON'T BITE ME?

THIS STOPPED WORKING BEFORE EVEN THE ORBITAL ELEVATOR WAS BUILT... AND IT'S STILL HERE...

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THIS IS...?

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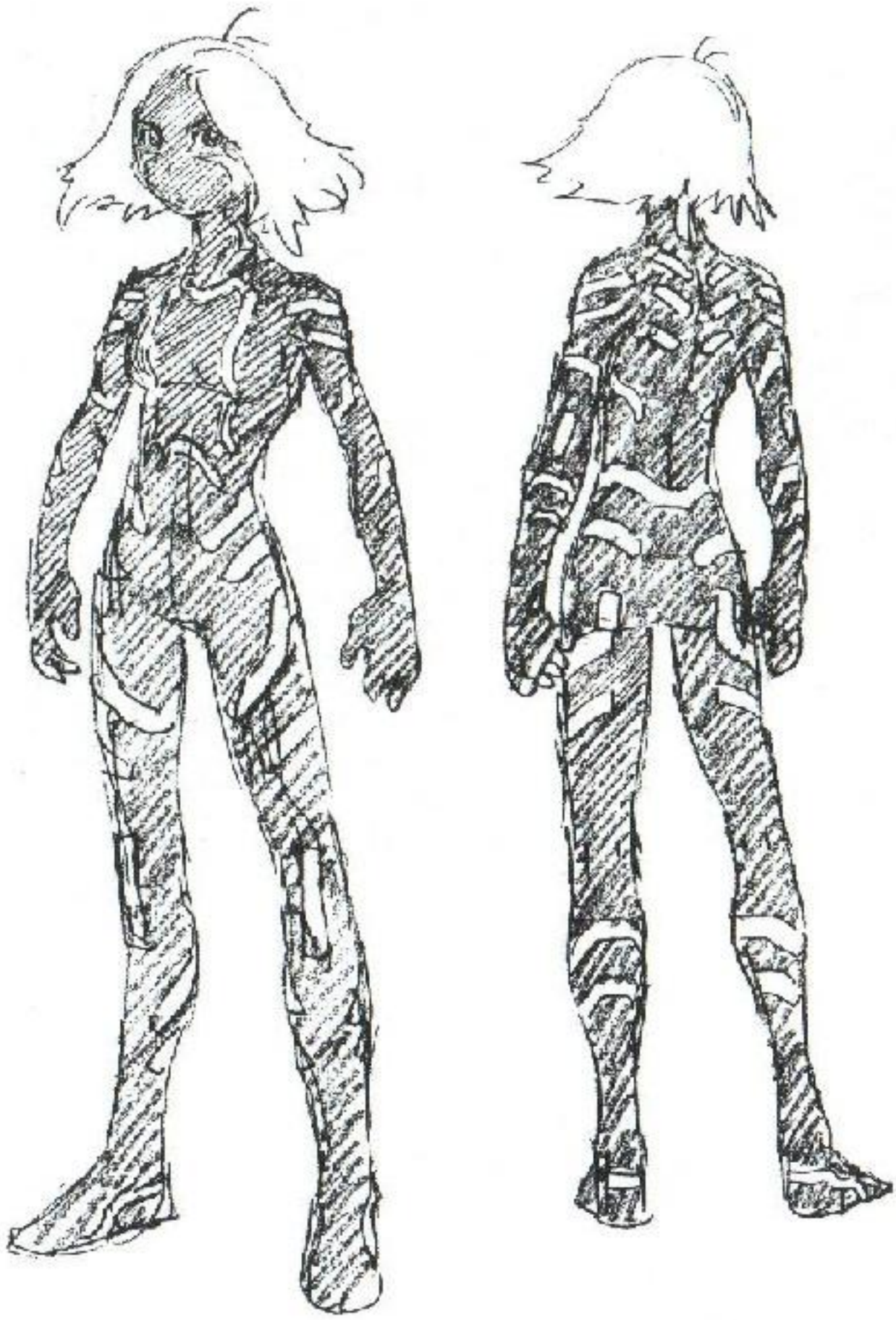
...NO...

PZZZZ

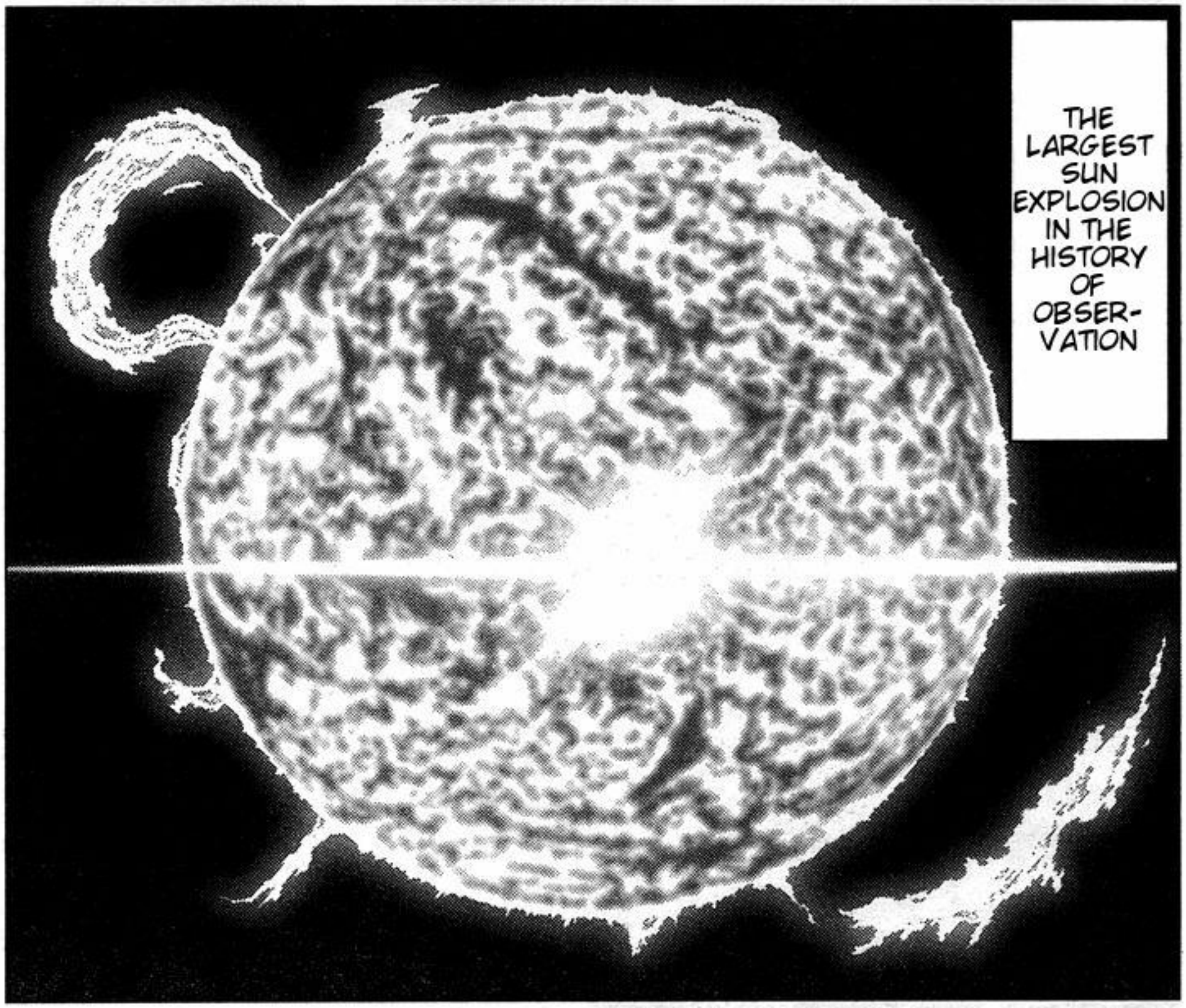
...
SCREEN
NOISE
...?

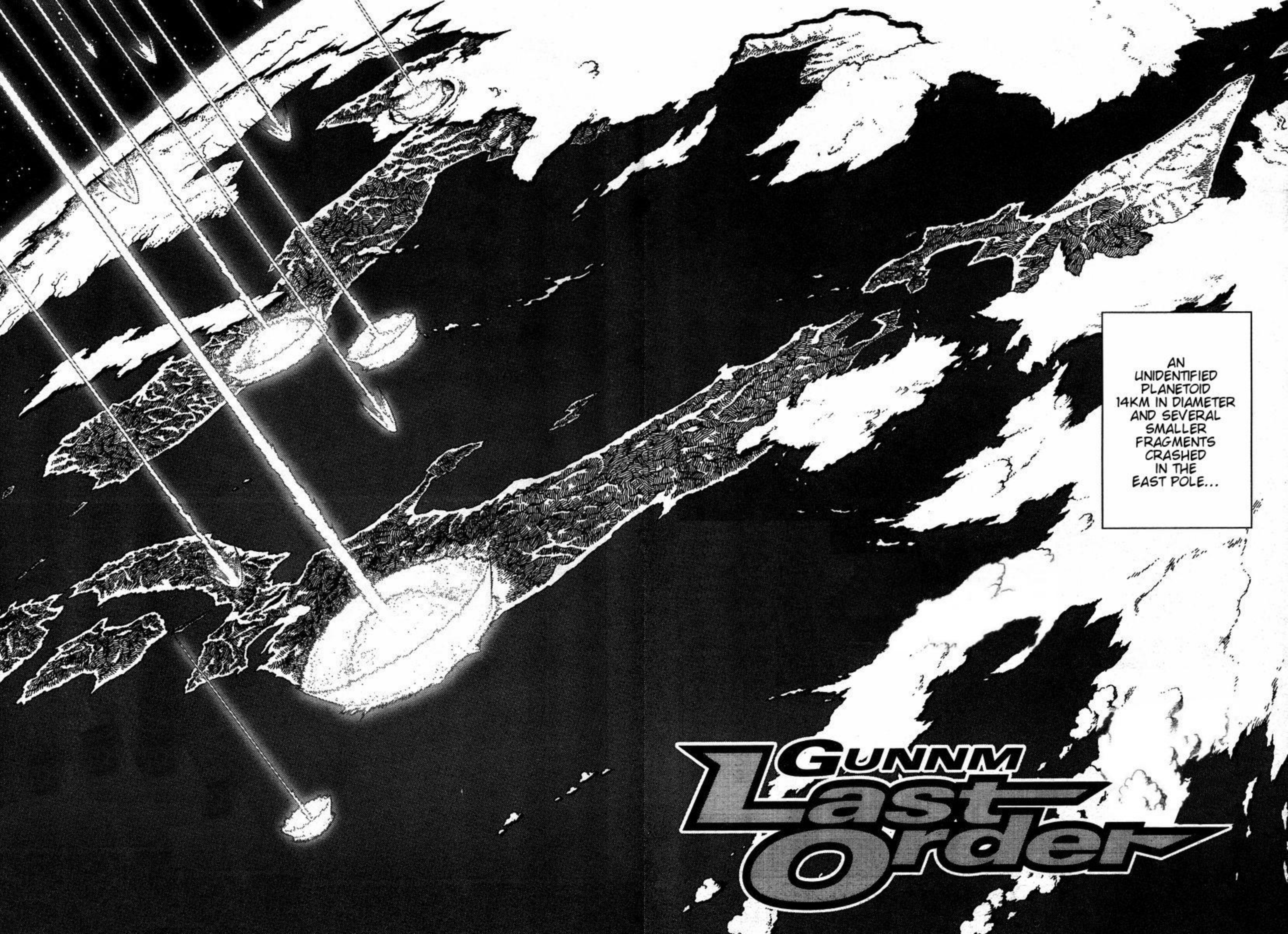
SNOW??

ビュオオオオ
WOOOOOOSH



SPUTNIK CALENDAR 55TH YEAR




AN UNIDENTIFIED PLANETOID 14KM IN DIAMETER AND SEVERAL SMALLER FRAGMENTS CRASHED IN THE EAST POLE...
GUNNM
Last Order

THE IMPACT SHOOK THE ENTIRE EARTH, DISPERSED THE OZONE LAYER AND DISTORTED THE EARTH'S AXIS...

AND AN ENORMOUS TSUNAMI LAID WASTE FOR HUNDREDS OF KILO-METERS ...

LATER, THE PLANETOID WAS NAMED "IXCHEL*"... IT MADE A CRATER 230KM IN DIAMETER.

*Ixchel - In Mayan myth, wife of the greatest god, Ichamna.
Goddess of storms and floods.
She is described as an old woman with sharp nails, and known for her wrath.

WINTER CAME ...

A LONG... LONG "IMPACT WINTER" ...

THICK CLOUDS COVERED THE EARTH, AND THE GROUND BECAME FROZEN...

EARTH AND SAND PARTICLES CLOUDED THE STRATO-SPHERE...

10 YEARS LATER
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WOOOOOOOSH

GHAK
WOOOOOOOSH...
I ARRIVED...

IT'S LIKE A WASHED SKULL,

ON A ROTTEN BODY, A FALLEN CITY'S BEAUTIFUL SIGHT...

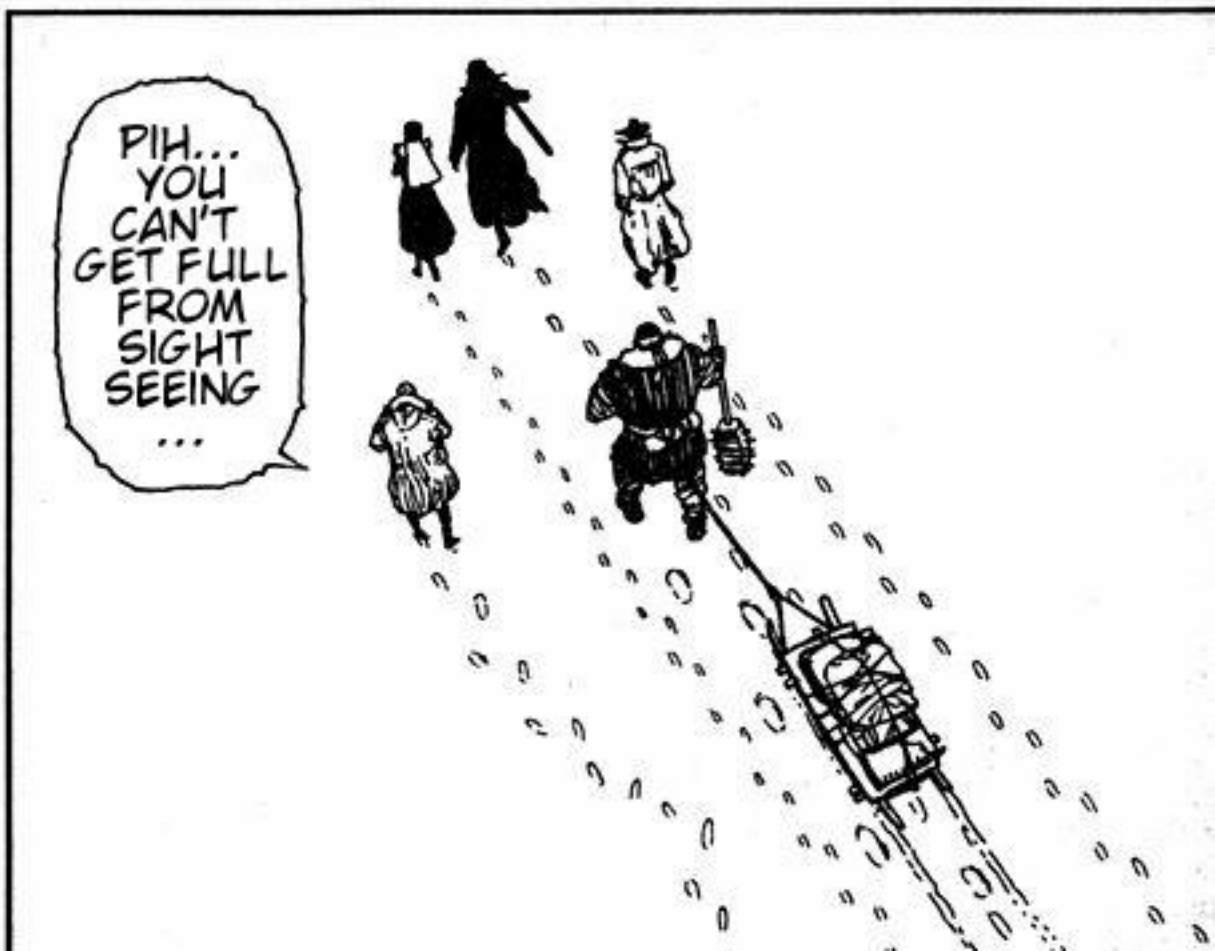
DON'T YOU THINK SO...?

VILMA.

I ALSO LIKED HOW THE NEON LIGHTS GLOWED IN THE NIGHT...

YEAH... BUT...

VILMA FACHIRI - LATER KNOWN AS CAERULA SANGUIS



TAP
TAP
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TAP

WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT...

SO THERE ARE STILL SURVIVORS LEFT... LOTS OF THEM!!
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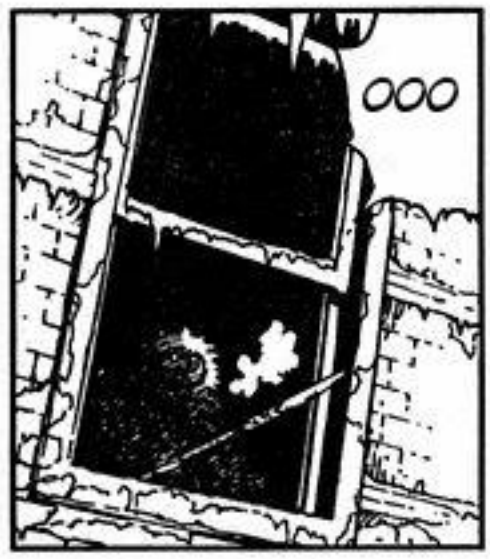
KLACK
HI HI ...

DON'T JUST YELL BASTARDS, COME AND FIGHT!!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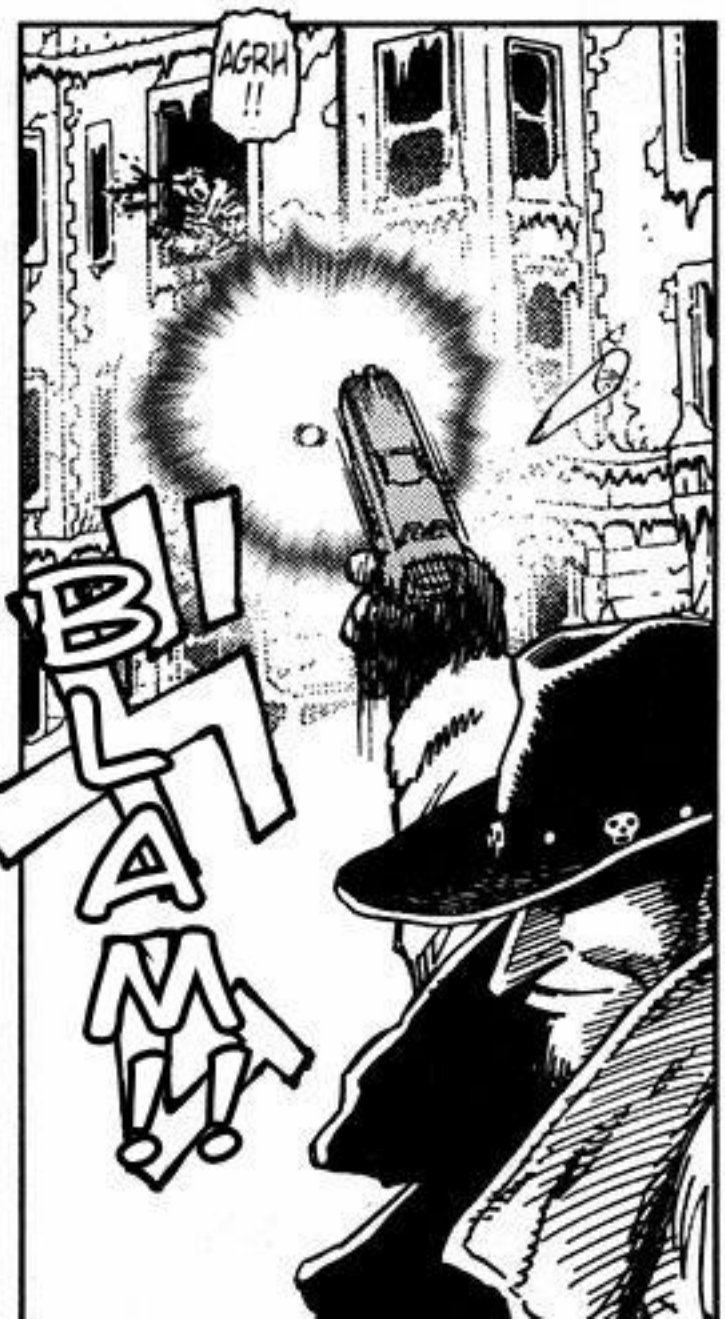
OOO-AAA
OOOH

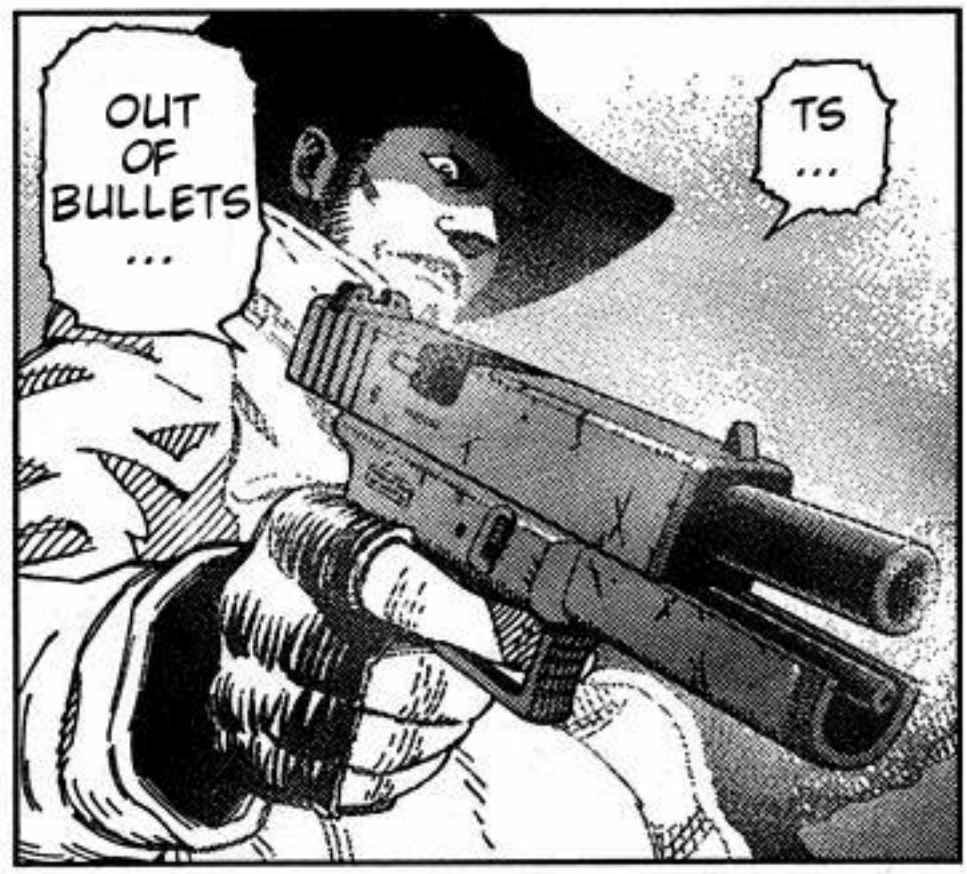
FLAT!


AGRH!!
BLAM!!

IT WAS OUR FIRST FIGHT SINCE WE CAME TO THE NEW AREA...
BUT IT IS BETTER TO SAY IT WAS A ONE-SIDED SLAUGHTER THAN A FIGHT...

THE HAPPINESS OF KILLING MADE MY CHEEKS RED...

ANYWAY... IT WAS PROOF THAT WE ARE STILL ALIVE ON THIS WORLD...



IT'S REALLY BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE TASTED HUMAN BLOOD!!

BLOO-OOOO-OOD!!!

YAHOO!!

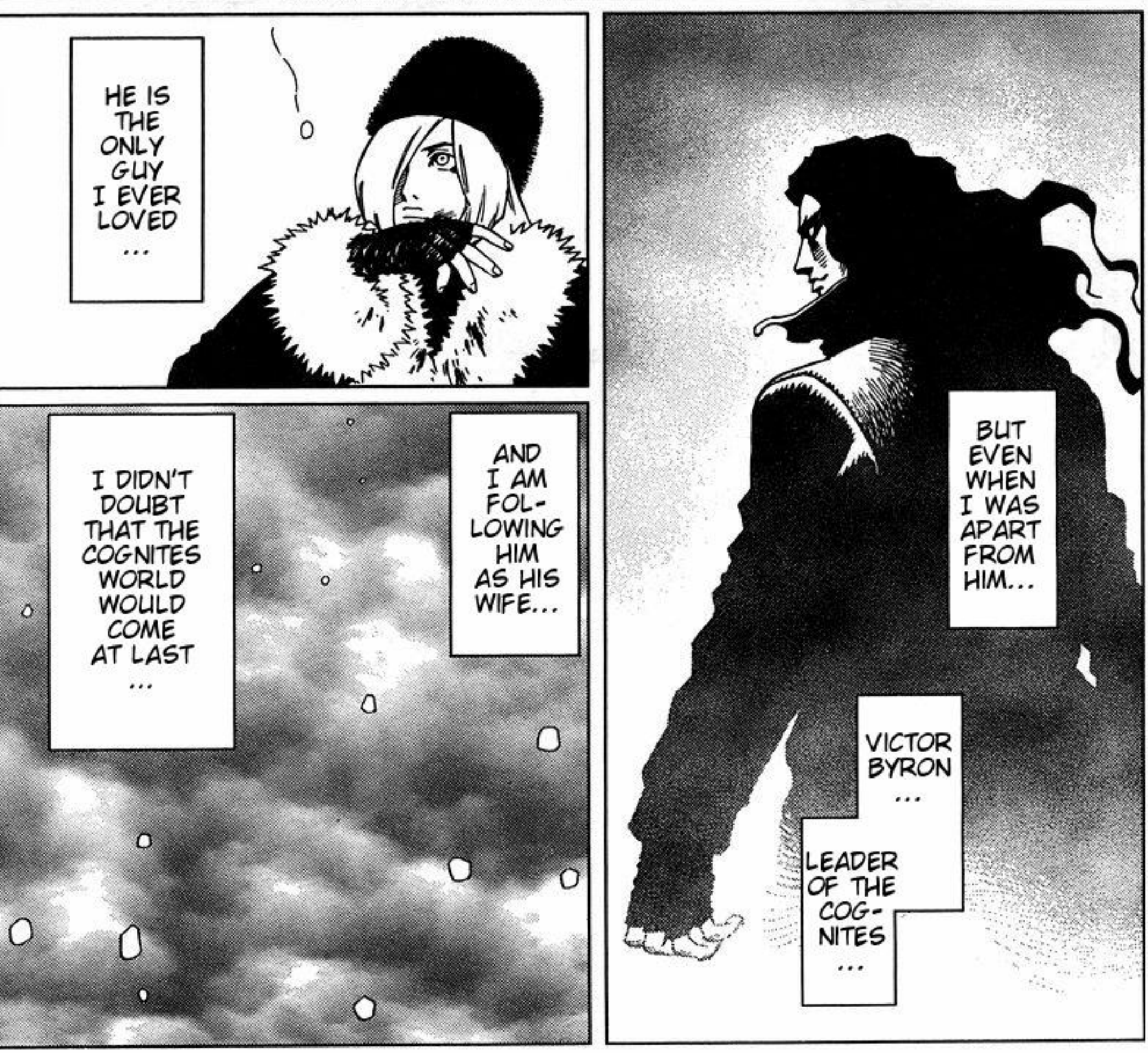
RIPPPP

WE ARRIVED!
WE COGNITES* CONTROL THIS WORLD!!

*Erdély - Transylvania in the Hungarian language

I LEFT MY HOMETOWN, WANDERING AROUND THE WORLD, I NEVER OBEYED ANYONE... AND I LIVED ALONE...

"COGNITE"... THAT IS WHAT HUMANS HATE AND FEAR THE MOST... THEY CALL THEM "VAMPIRES"... AT THE TIME OF MY DEMISE, I BECAME A VAMPIRE...



GRAAAH
4 YEARS LATER

WOOOOOOSH

I MADE A STUPID MISTAKE ...

I EN-COUNTERED A GROUP OF MUTANTS WHEN I WAS ALONE...

WOOOOSH
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WOOOOSH
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UGH
...

WHAT IS THIS...?

SOUNDS FROM A GUITAR...

AH...

WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

FOR HOW LONG HAVEN'T I HEARD THE SOUNDS OF A GUITAR?

JOHN FARRELL ...

13 YEARS OLD...

HE WAS BORN AFTER THE CATA-STROPHE ...

HIS GUITAR PLAYING WASN'T SO GOOD,

BUT IT MOVED MY EMOTIONS MORE THAN ANY PROFES-SIONAL PLAYER ...

JOHN'S FATHER, COLLIN FARRELL TOOK CARE OF ME ...

AMAZING RESILIENCE ... YOU WILL BE ABLE TO WALK IN FEW DAYS ...

FU...

YOU ARE... NOT A NORMAL HUMAN... RIGHT?

KILL YOU?

STU-PID ...

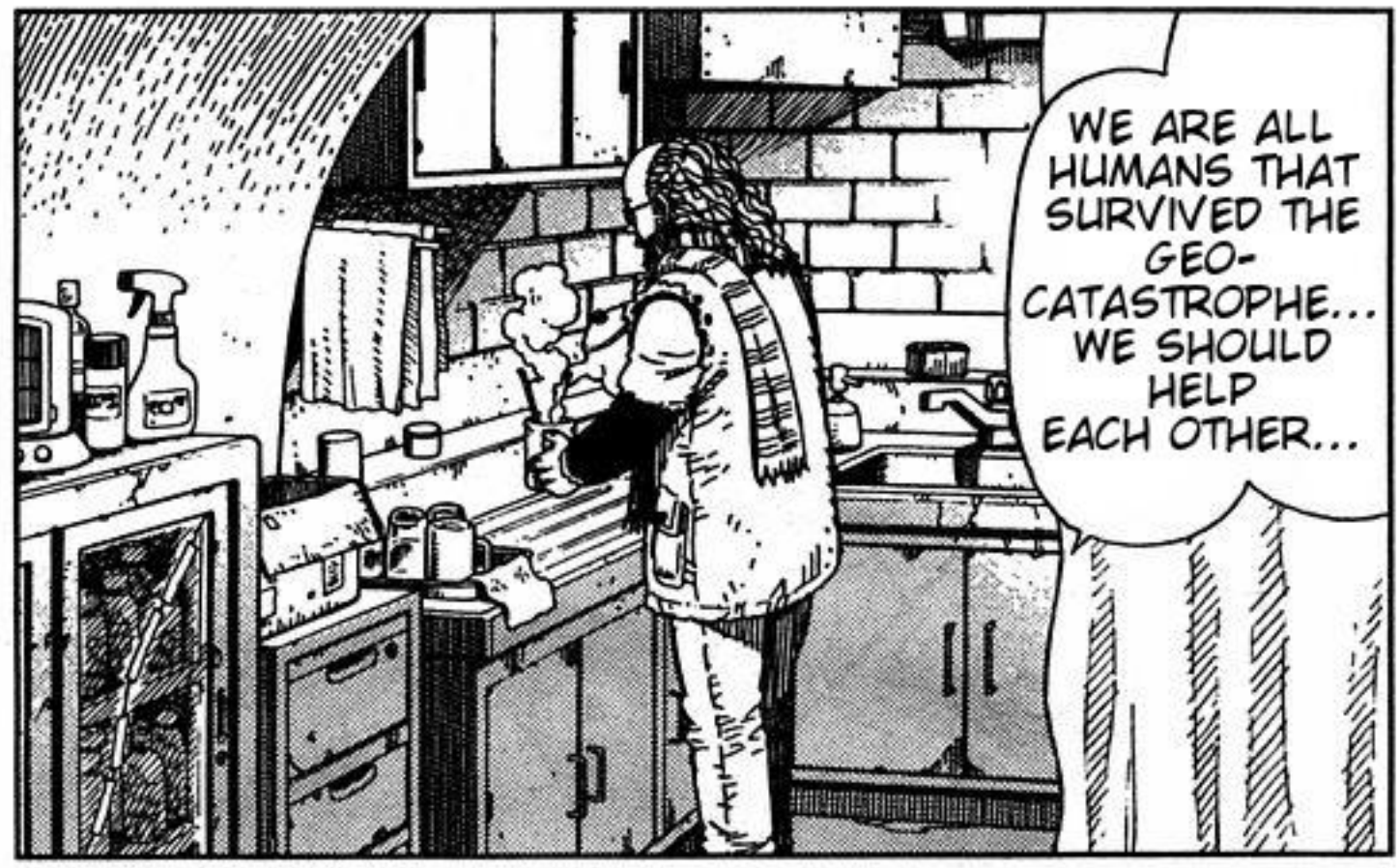
SO KILL ME!!

NOW I CAN'T MOVE...

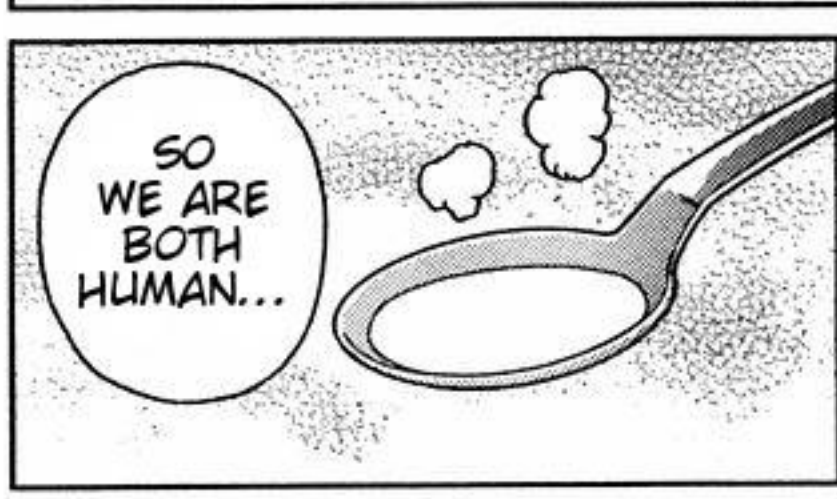
FUFU... I AM A COGNITE...

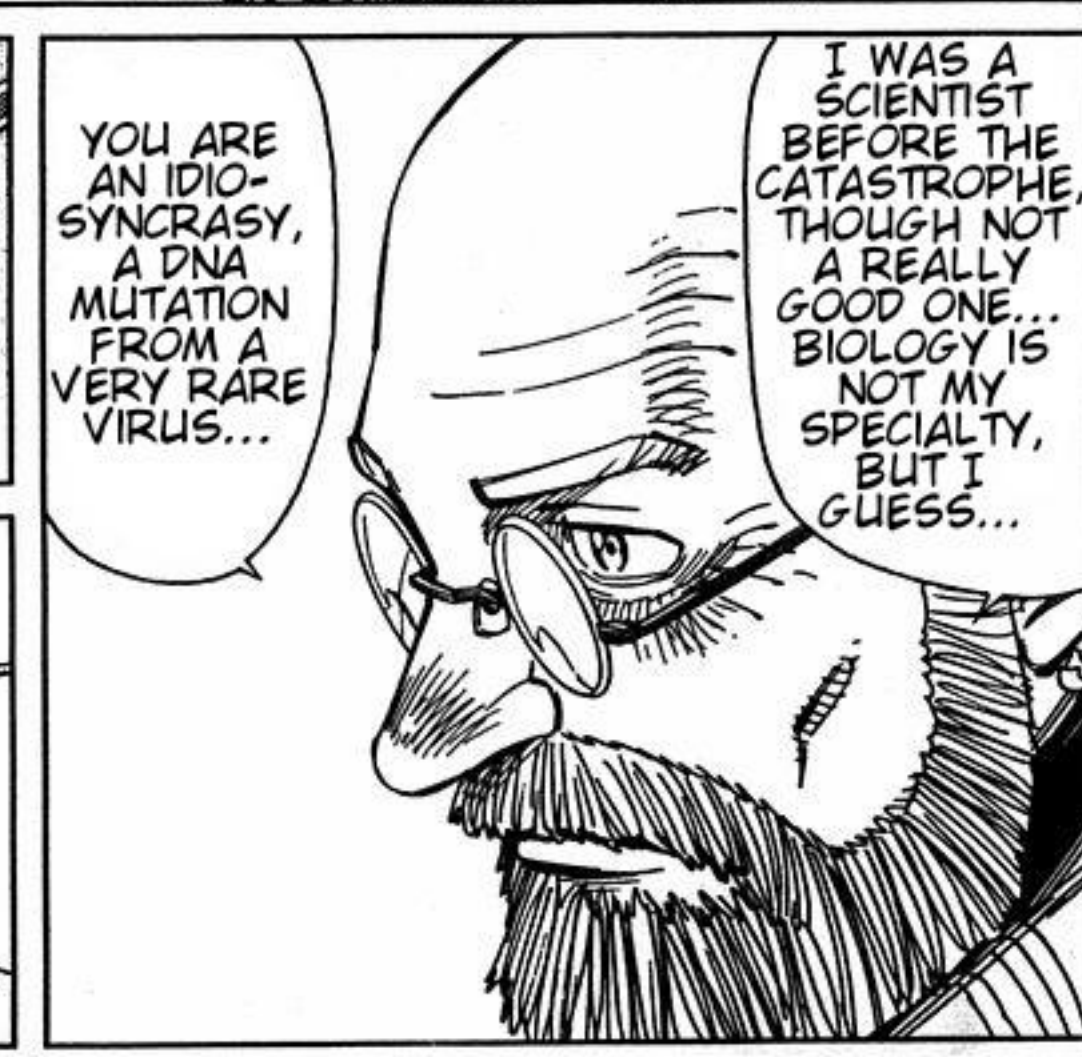
YOUR NATURAL ENEMY...

I AM A VAM-PIRE!!
I'M NOT HU-MAN!!


WE ARE ALL HUMANS THAT SURVIVED THE GEO-CATASTROPHE... WE SHOULD HELP EACH OTHER...

OR WILL YOU GET BURNED FROM A CROSS?
OR WILL YOU TURN TO ASH FROM SUNLIGHT?
HAH! THAT IS ALL STUPID SUPER-STITION!
VAM-PIRE?
THEN YOU CAN TURN INTO A BAT?


SO WE ARE BOTH HUMAN...


YOU ARE AN IDIO-SYNCRASY, A DNA MUTATION FROM A VERY RARE VIRUS...
I WAS A SCIENTIST BEFORE THE CATASTROPHE, THOUGH NOT A REALLY GOOD ONE... BIOLOGY IS NOT MY SPECIALTY, BUT I GUESS...

THERE WERE 60 PEOPLE LIVING IN THIS SHELTER

AND IT WAS ALL THANKS TO COLLIN FARRELL'S PLANS...

AND GROWING CROPS ... THEY WERE SELF-SUFFICIENT...

THEY WERE EXTRACTING METHANE GAS FROM EXCREMENTS TO PRODUCE ELECTRICITY

I WAS SUR-PRI-SED ...

IT IS NOT AS GOOD AS BORDEAUX WINE, BUT IT IS RATHER NICE FOR A TRIAL PRODUCT, RIGHT?

CAN YOU TRY THIS PLEASE?

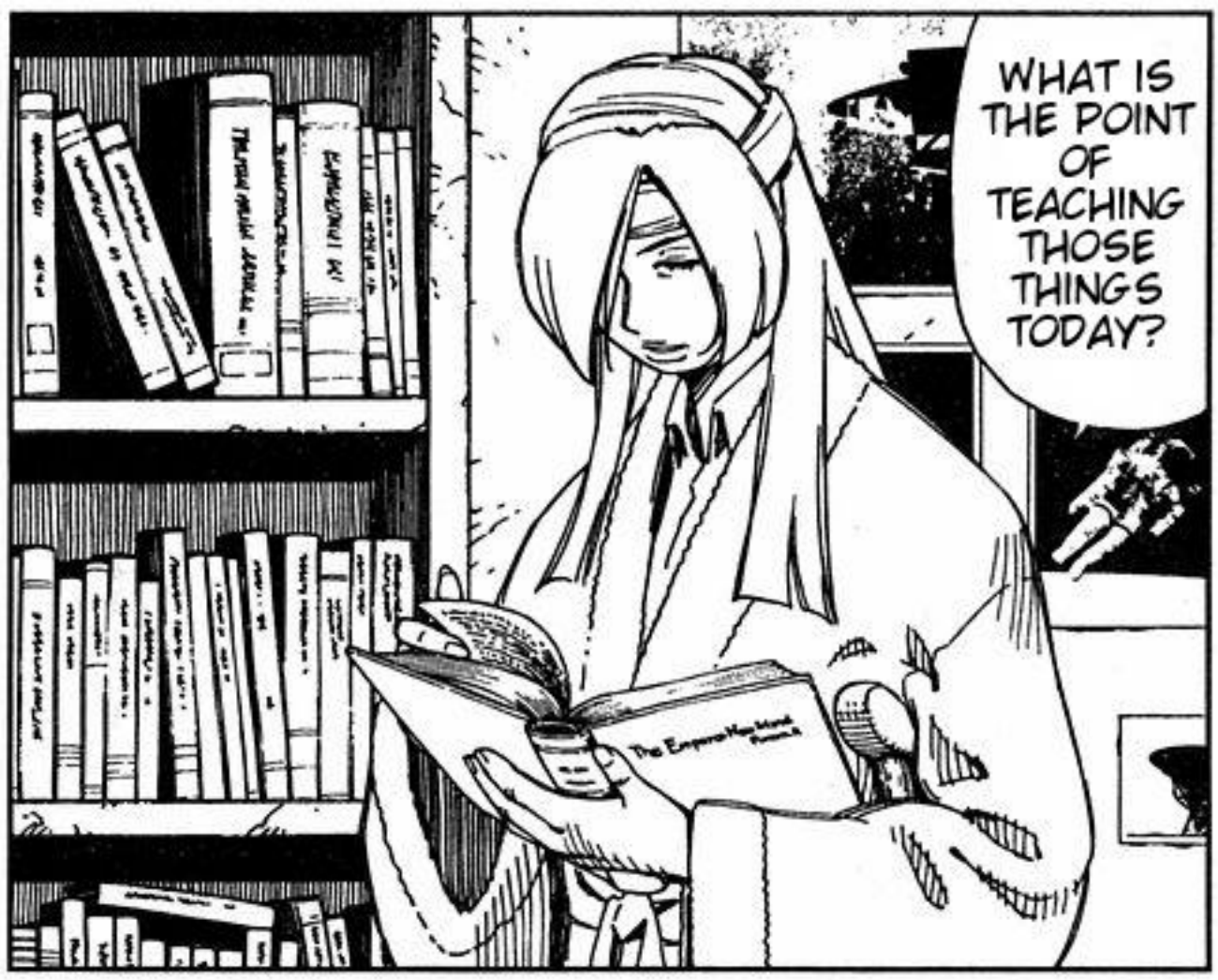
WINE ...

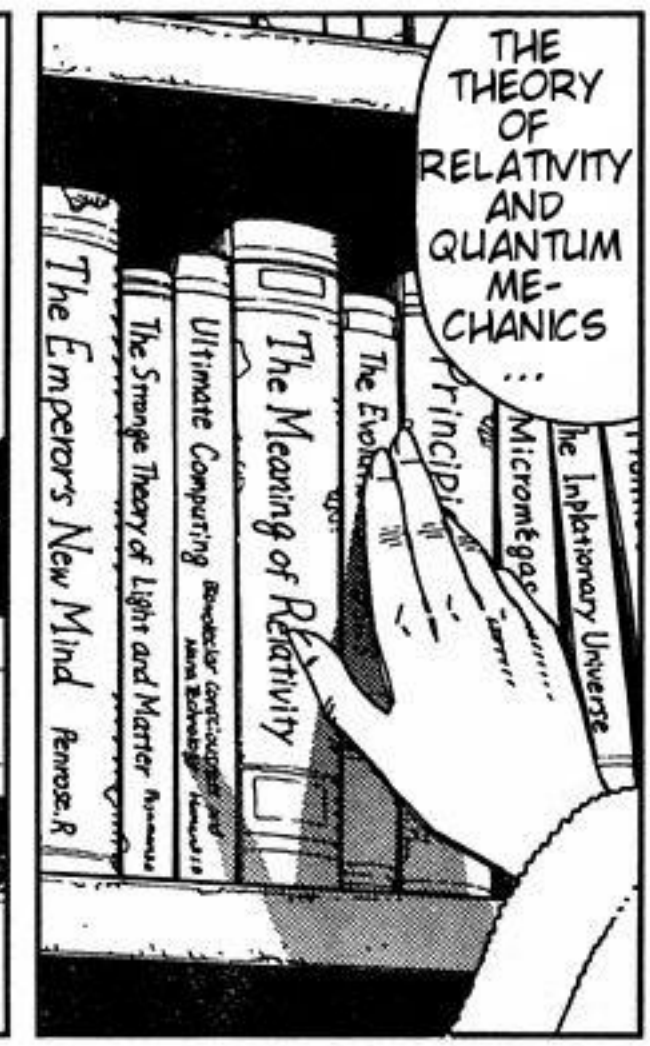
THIS IS...!!

YOU CAN'T KNOW HOW IMPORTANT SOMETHING IS UNTIL YOU LOSE IT...

I HATED HUMAN SOCIETY AND CIVILIZATION, BUT NOW I REALIZED I WAS DEPENDING ON IT...

EVEN EDUCATION FOR KIDS WAS VERY INTE-RESTING ...


WHAT IS THE POINT OF TEACHING THOSE THINGS TODAY?


THE THEORY OF RELATIVITY AND QUANTUM ME-CHANICS ...
The Meaning of Relativity
Ultimate Computing
The Strange Theory of Light and Matter
The Emperor's New Mind
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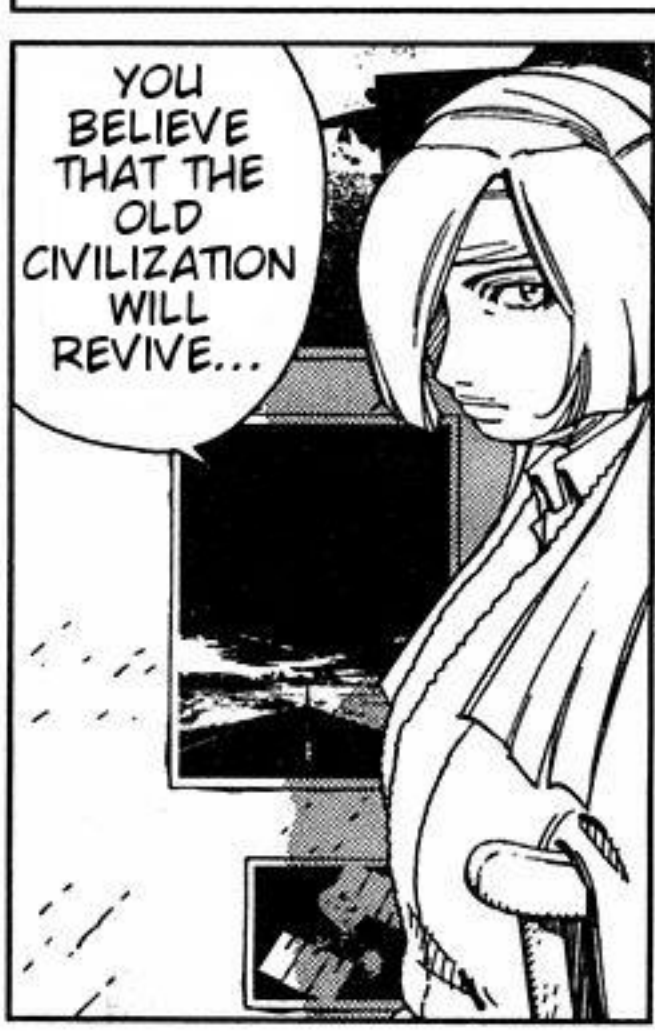
I WILL PASS DOWN ALL MY KNOW-LEDGE TO MY SON...
BECAUSE WE HAVE TO DO IT TODAY ...
AND WE CAN'T DESTROY THE RESULTS OF SCIENCE OUR ANCESTORS LEFT TO US...


YOU BELIEVE THAT THE OLD CIVILIZATION WILL REVIVE...

SOMEDAY SURELY...
THIS HORRIBLE WINTER WILL PASS SOMEDAY... AND SPRING WILL COME ...
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'LL BE IN A FEW YEARS, OR A FEW HUNDRED YEARS...

BUT...

HONE-STLY...

I ADMIRED YOUR LEADERSHIP AND EFFORT TO PRESERVE THE OLD CIVILIZATION...

VICTOR MUST BE WORRIED ABOUT ME...

MY INJURY HEALED, SO I DECIDED TO GO BACK TO MY FRIENDS...

AND THERE WERE GUYS WHO ARGUED THAT IT WAS TOO DANGEROUS TO LET ME LEAVE...

THAT FEAR WAS UNDER-STAND-ABLE...

THERE WAS A MEETING THAT WAS TO DECIDE MY TREAT-MENT...

IS THERE NO PEACEFUL SOLUTION FOR THIS ....?

I OWED THEM FOR SAVING MY LIFE... AND I STARTED LIKING THEM...

VILMA, DON'T GO!!

LET'S LIVE HERE TOGETHER!

I LIKE YOU VILMA!!

SO PLEASE WAIT...

I LIKE YOU TOO JOHN ...

IF YOU GET HUNGRY YOU CAN SUCK MY BLOOD!

I PROMISE I WILL BRING GOOD NEWS...

AND THEN PLEASE PLAY THE GUITAR FOR ME AGAIN...

PHASE 46: CHOICE

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WOOOOOOOSH...

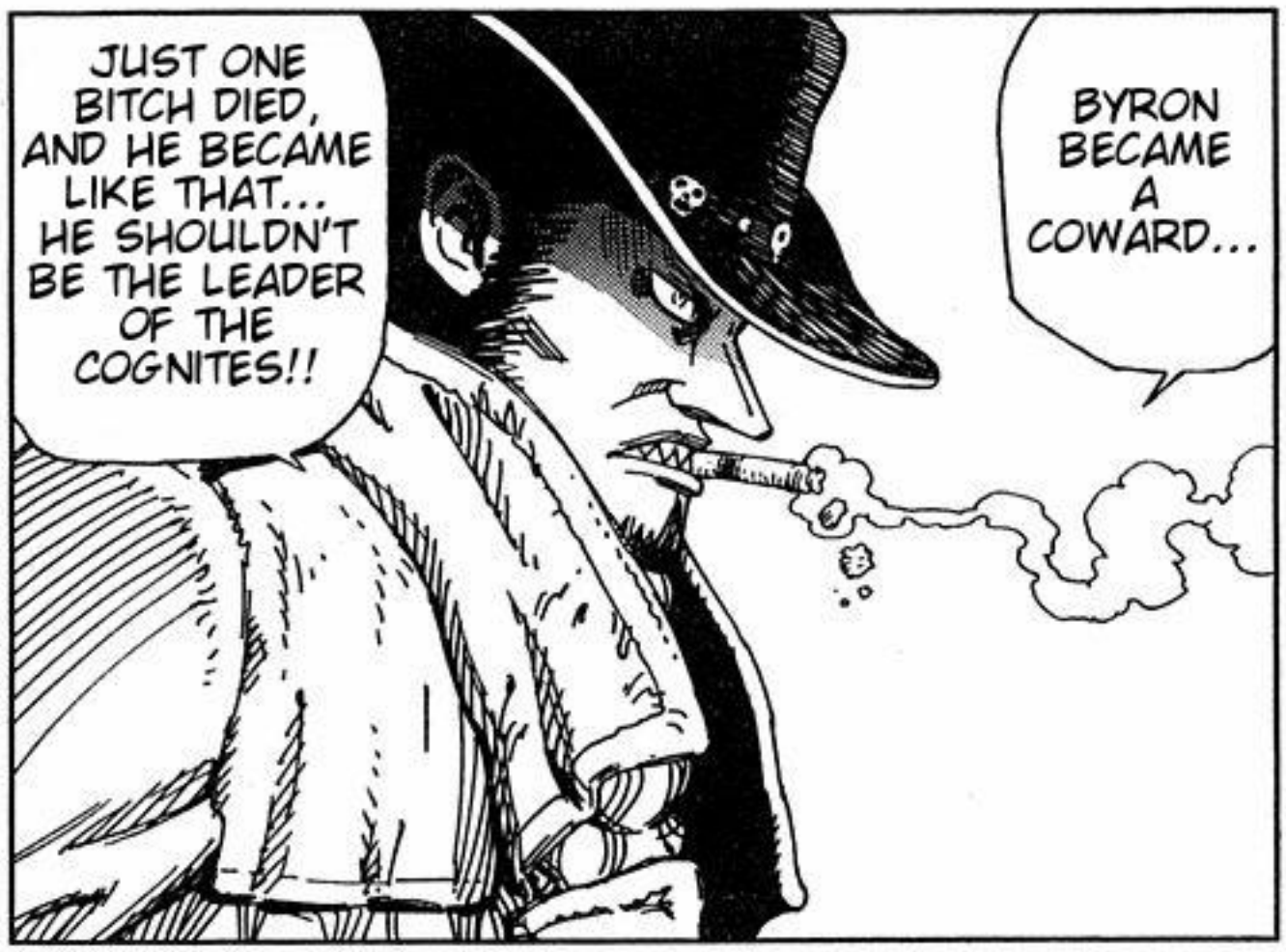
TS... THERE IS NO FOOD OR BULLETS LEFT...

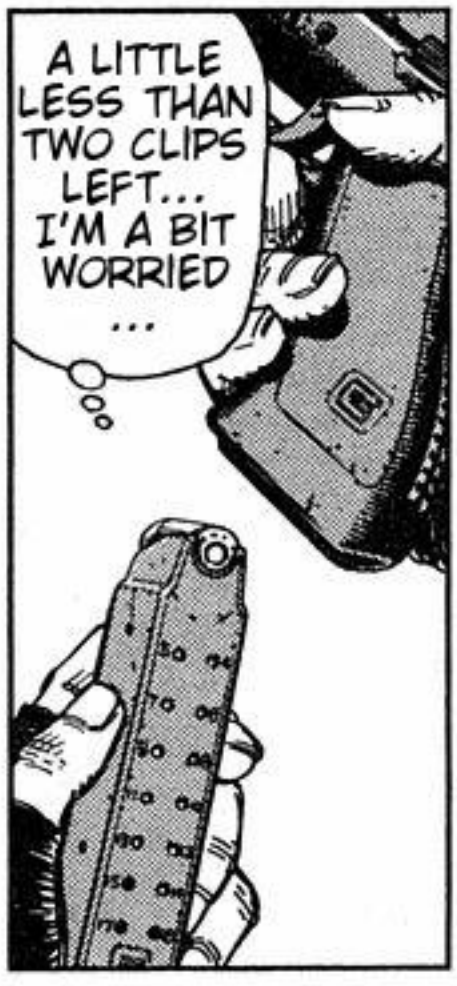
*he is calling Zapolska - bandage

WHY ARE YOU ASKING?

WILL YOU FOLLOW ME IF I BECOME THE BOSS?

OY BAN-DAGE ...

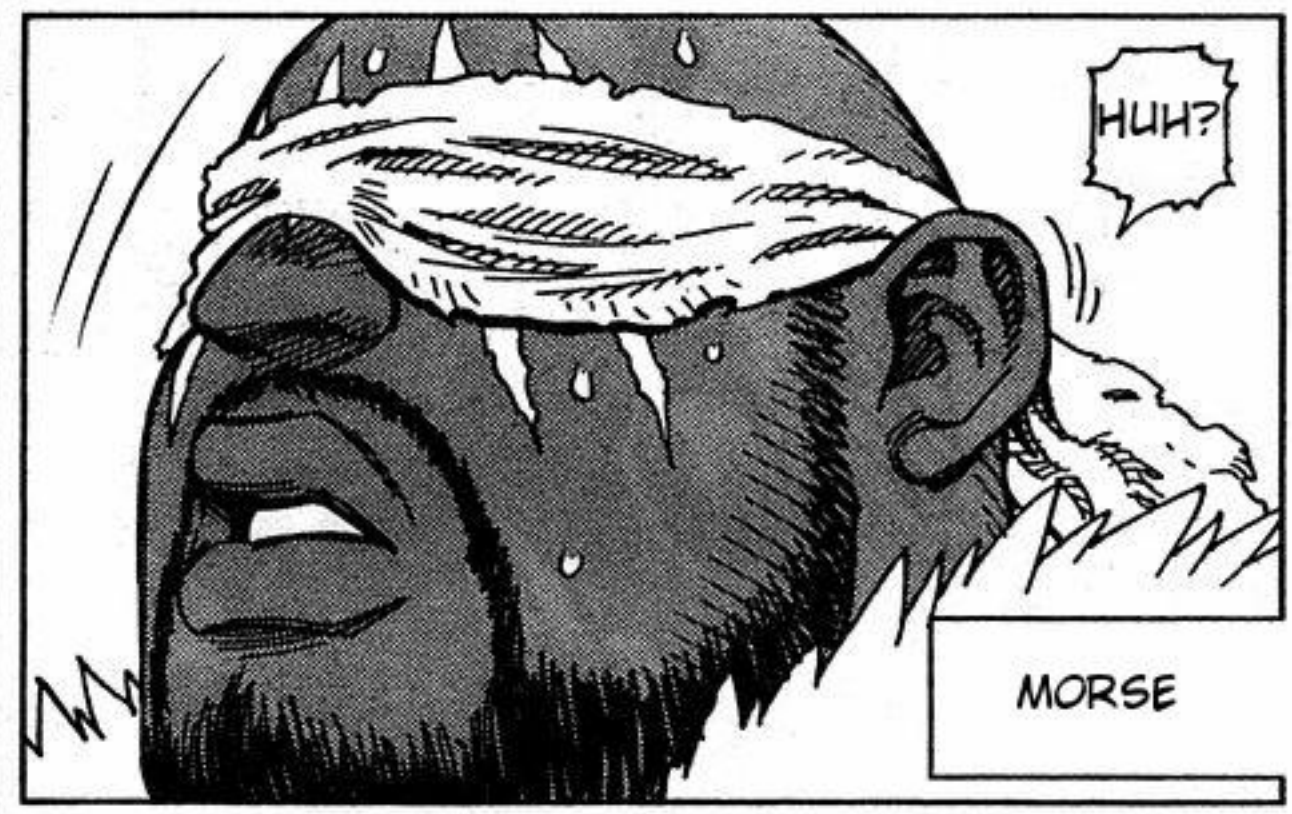




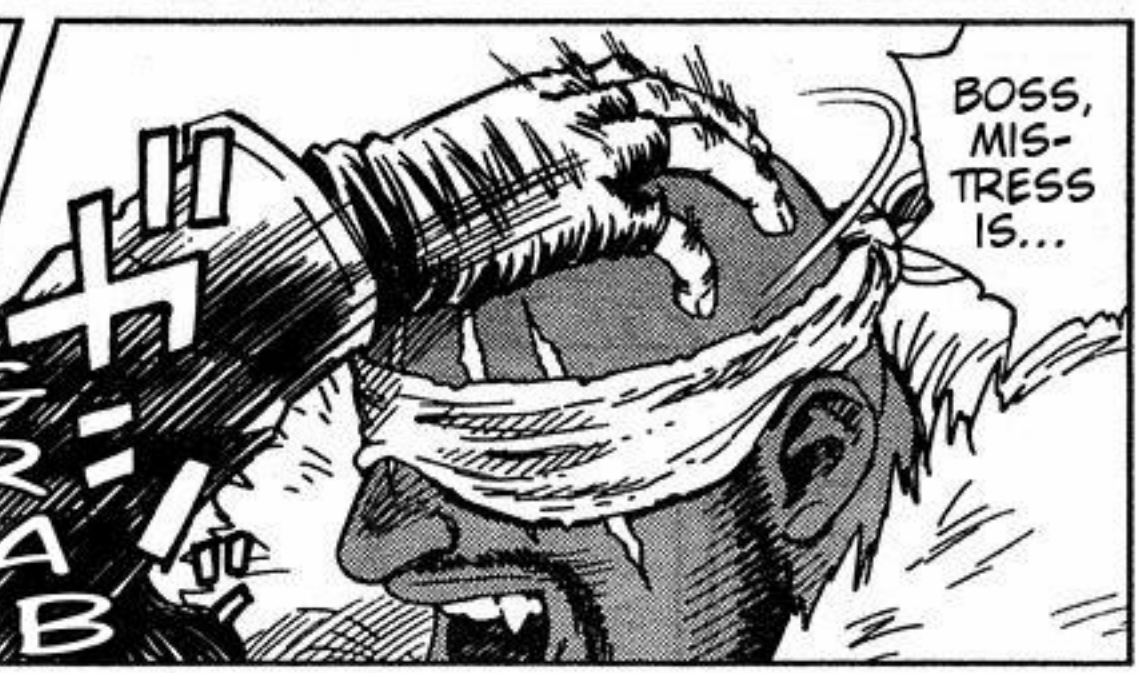
VILMA!!

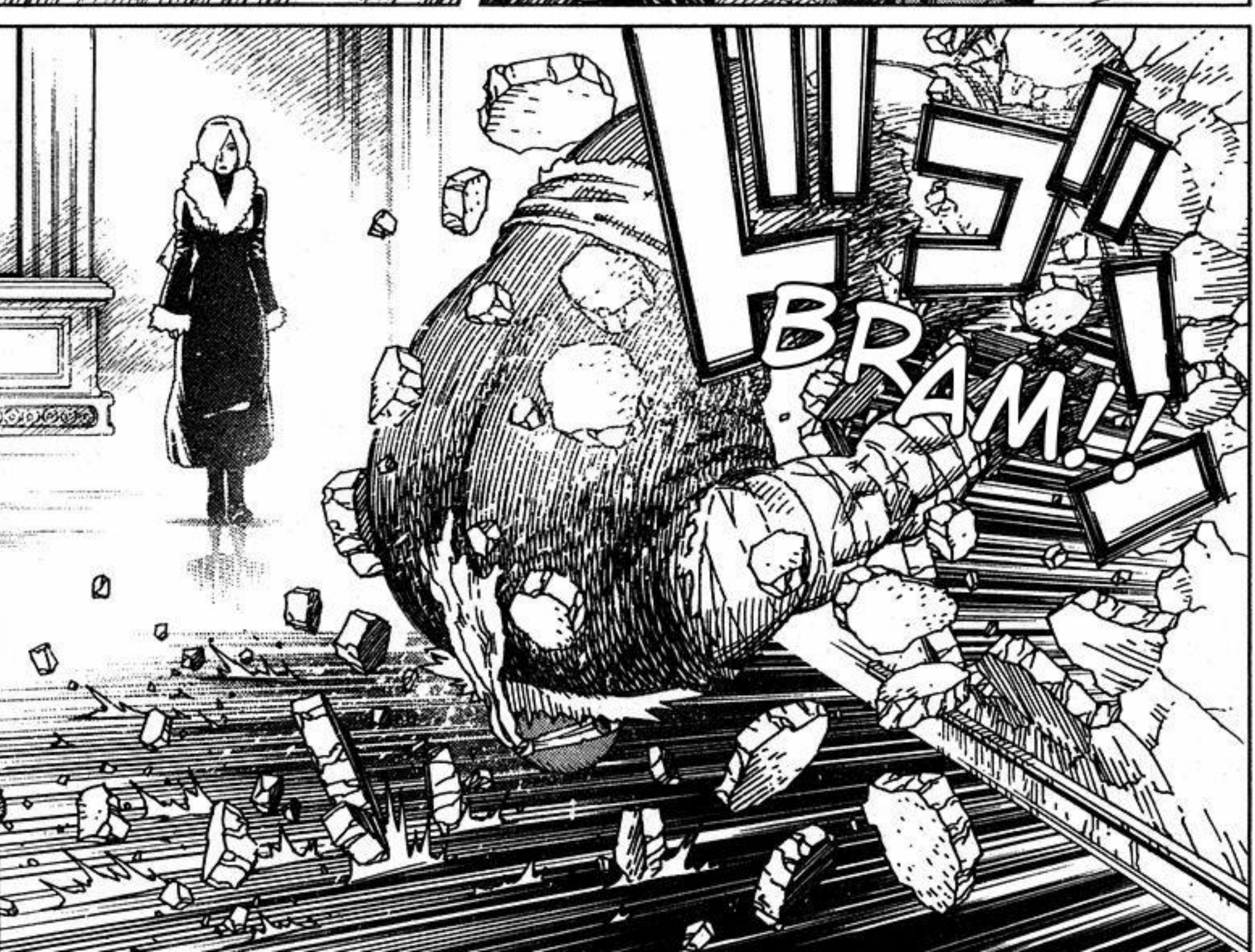
CHAAAAAAA
CALM DOWN BOSS!!
LEAVE ME!!!
VICTOR BYRON

TAP
TAP


HUH?
MORSE

WOOOSH
GYAAA

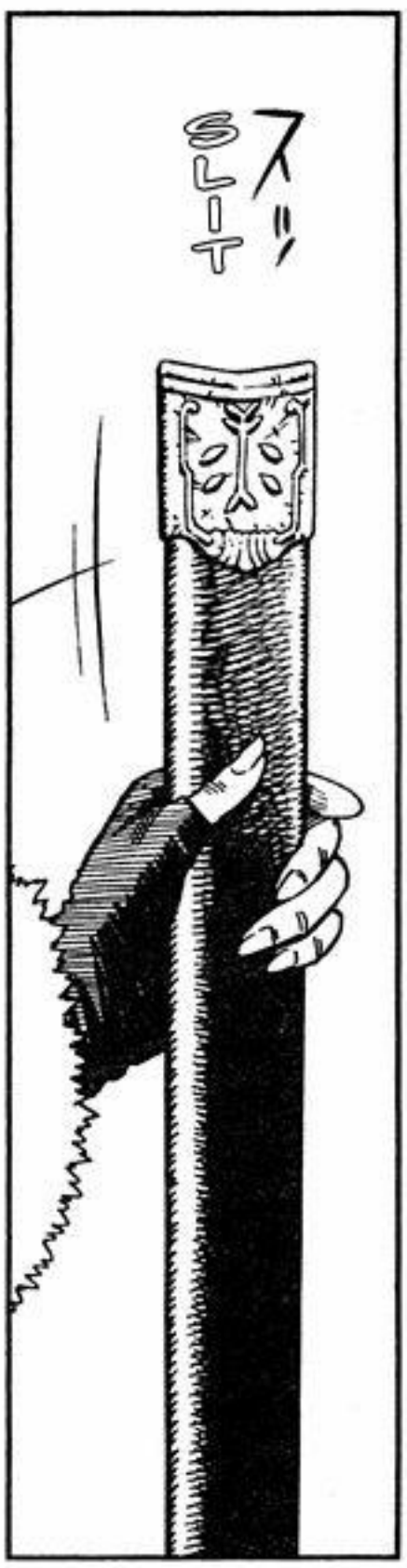

GRAB
BOSS, MIS-TRESS IS...


BRAM!!

MY THOUSAND YEARS OF LIFE IS FINISHED!!

I DON'T HAVE EVEN A THREAD OF HOPE LEFT!!

TAP!



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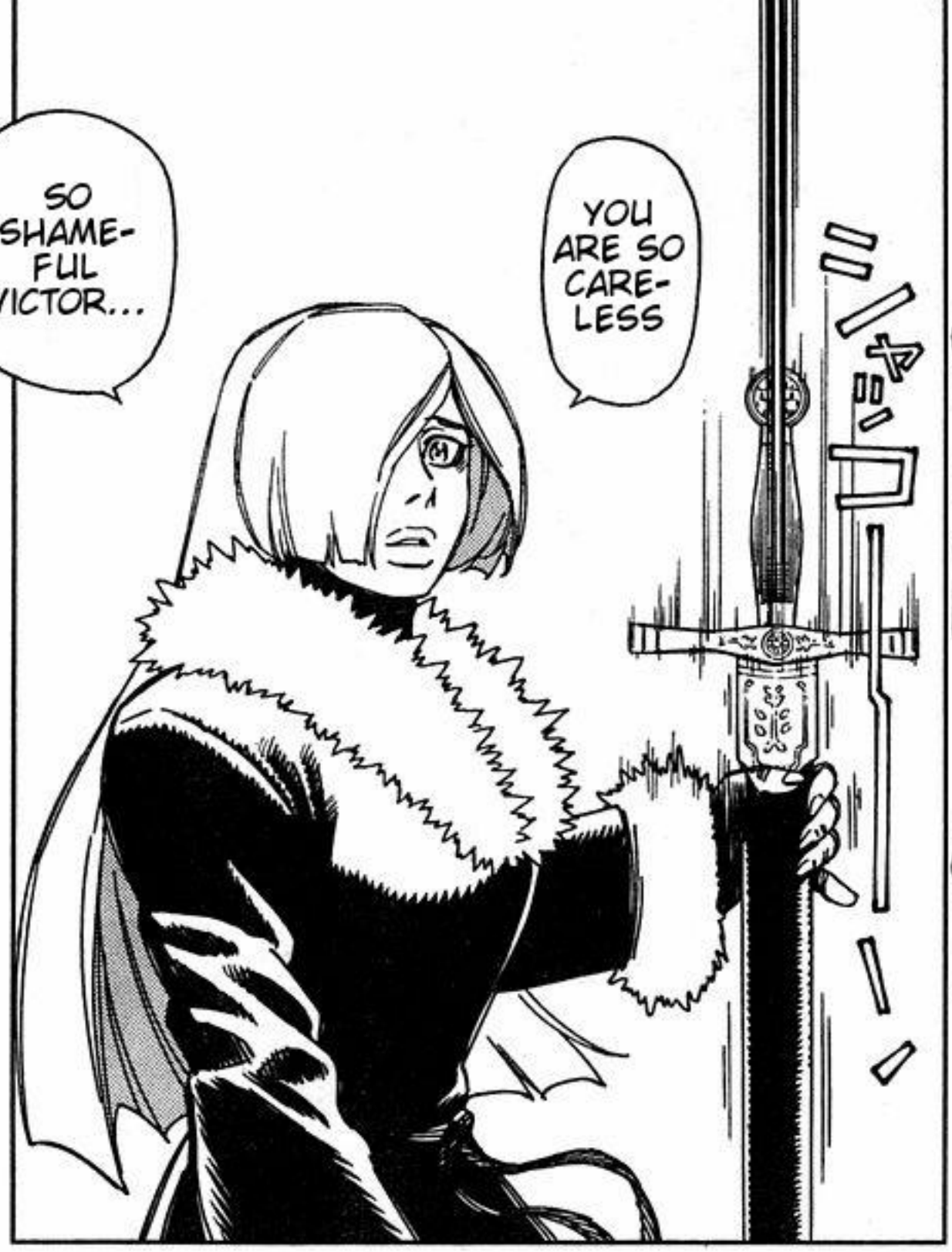
SO SHAME-FUL VICTOR...
YOU ARE SO CARE-LESS
SCHLAK

SWOSH
FLAME OF MY LIFE ...
VILMA !!
AH,
AH ...

WHEN I THOUGHT ABOUT HOW MUCH HE LOVED ME, MY HEART FELT SO WARM...

30 YEARS PASSED SINCE I MET HIM BUT HE'D NEVER SHOWN SUCH WEAKNESS TO ME...

IT'S TAKEN CARE OF VERY WELL...

BEAUTIFUL SCAR...

CRACKLE

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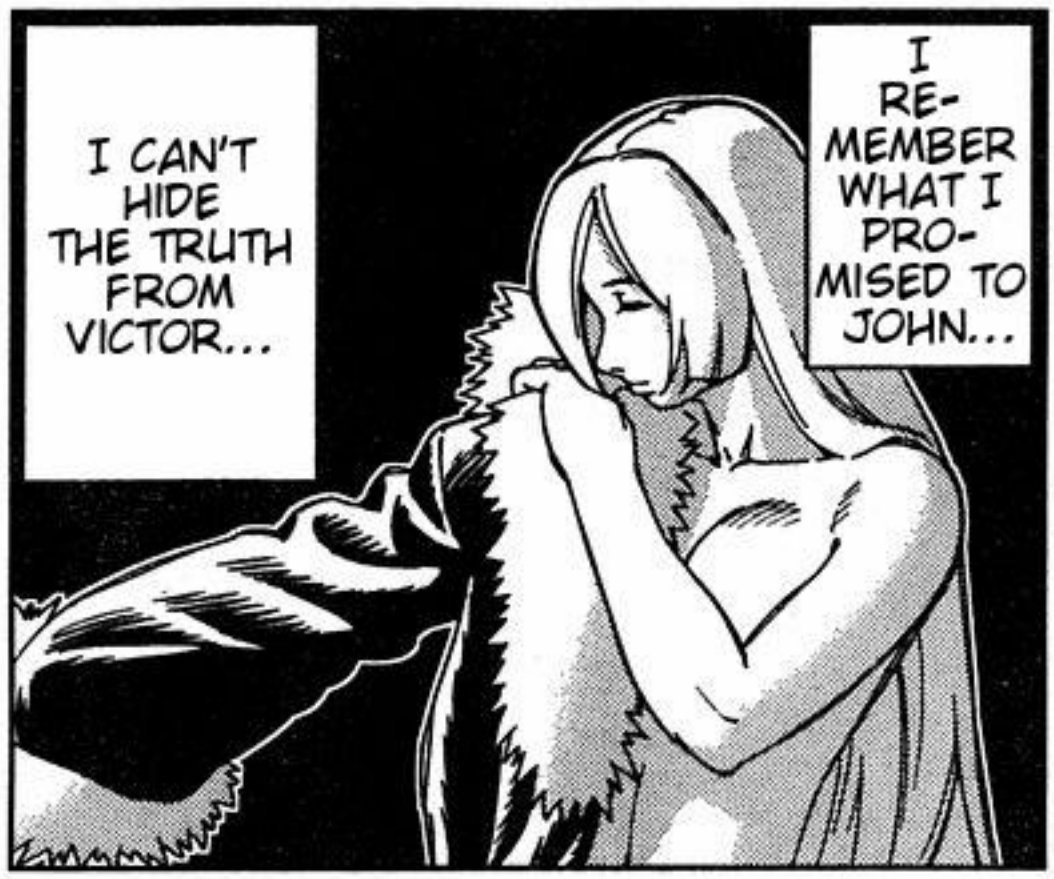
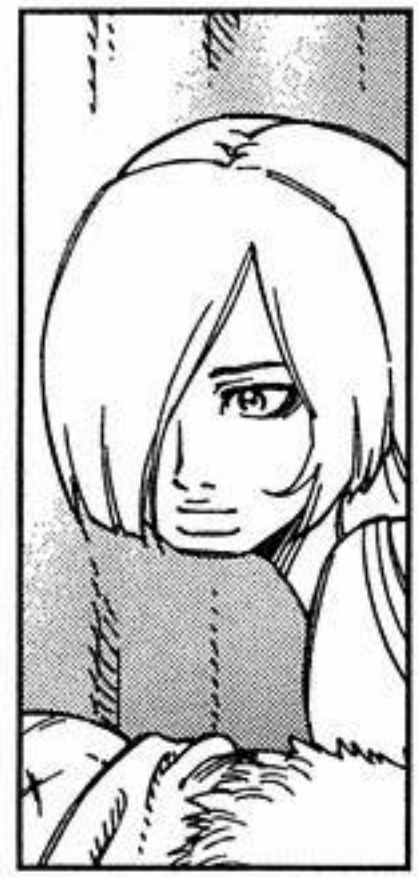

I CAN'T HIDE THE TRUTH FROM VICTOR...
I RE-MEMBER WHAT I PRO-MISED TO JOHN...



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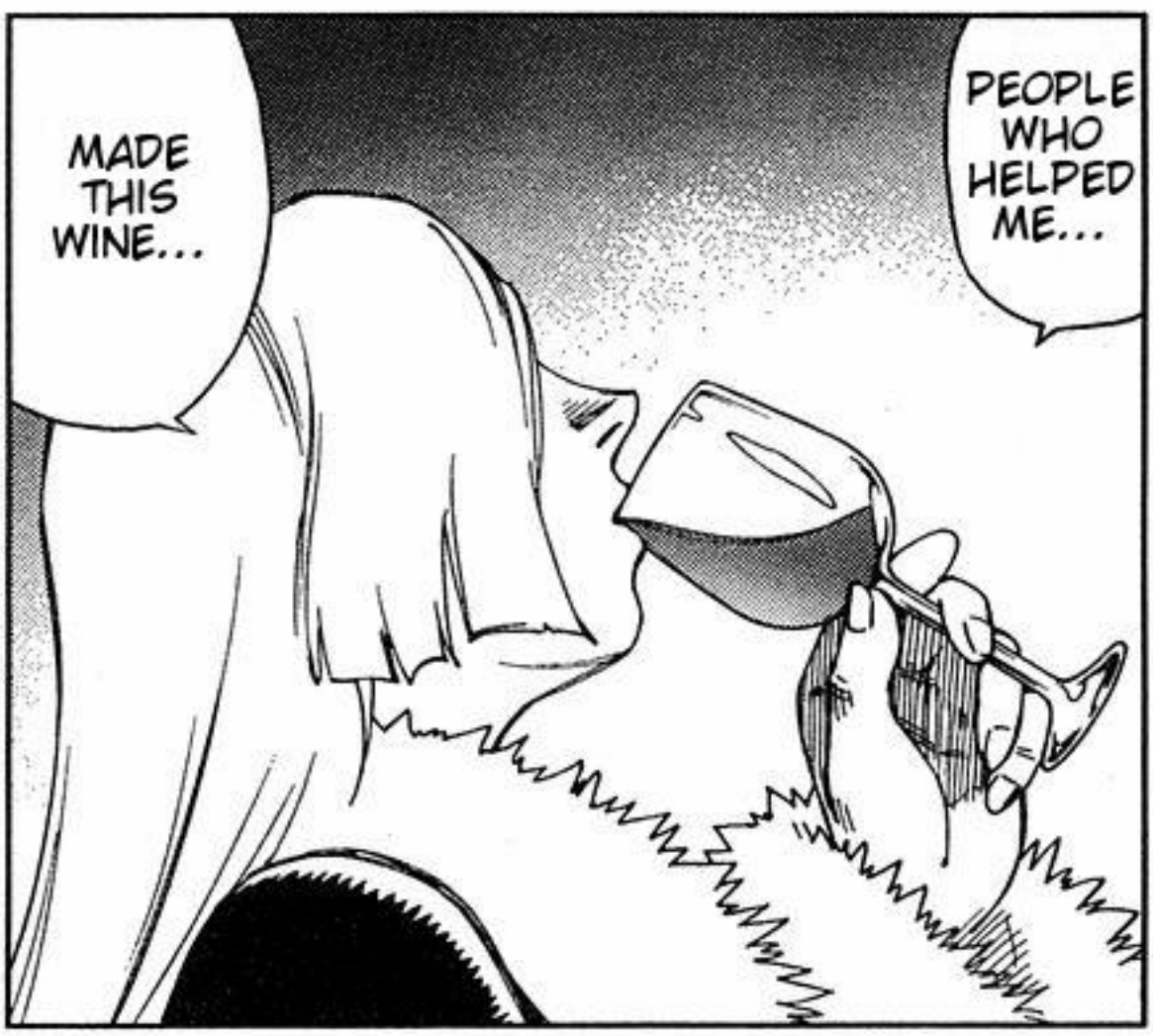
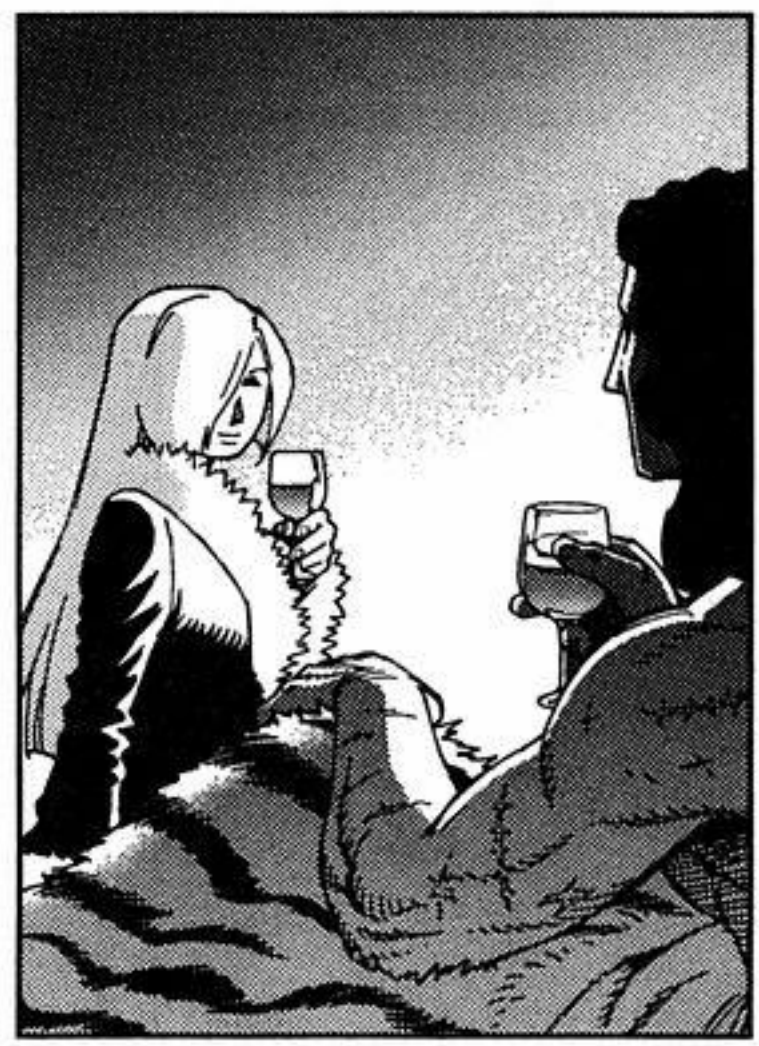

MADE THIS WINE...
PEOPLE WHO HELPED ME...



AND THAT THEY THINK WE ARE ALL THE SAME "HUMAN" AND WANT AN ALLIANCE WITH US...

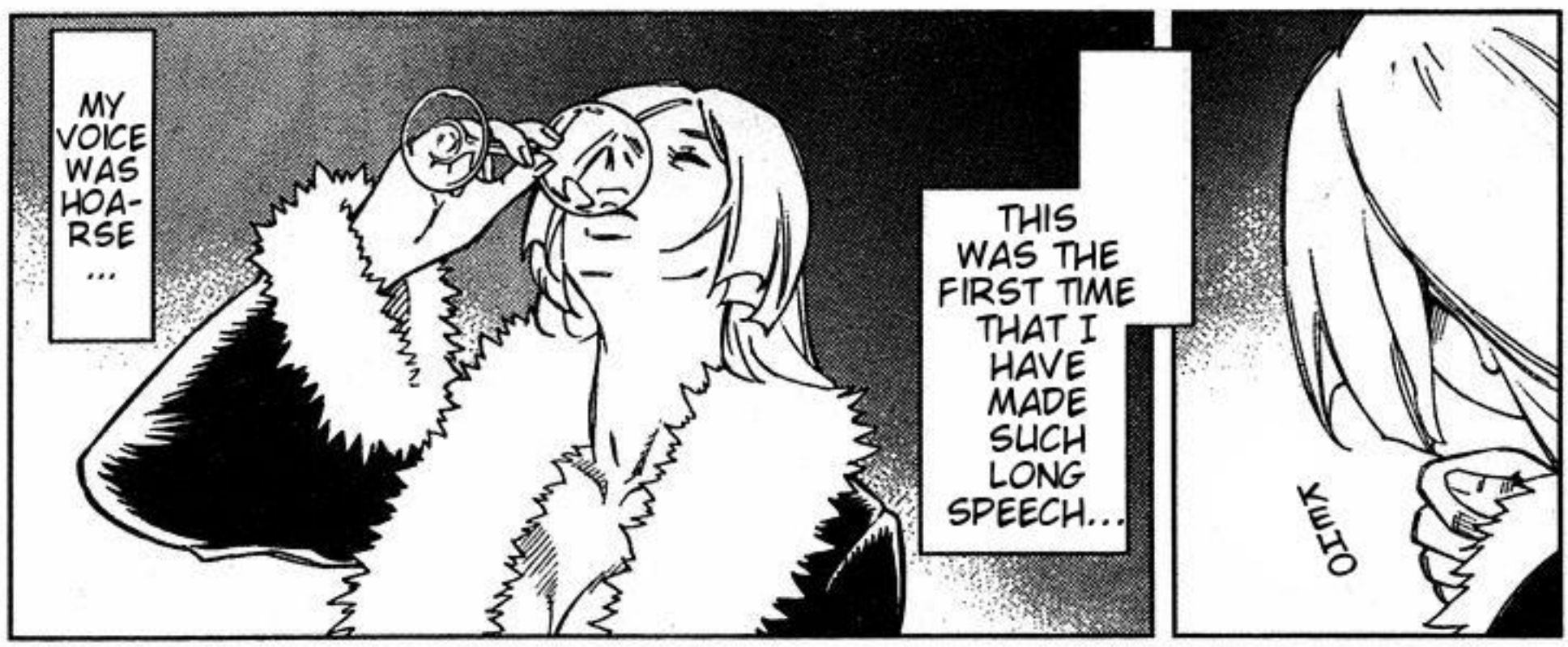
THERE IS A SHELTER MADE BY PEOPLE WHO WANT TO KEEP THEIR CIVILIZATION ...

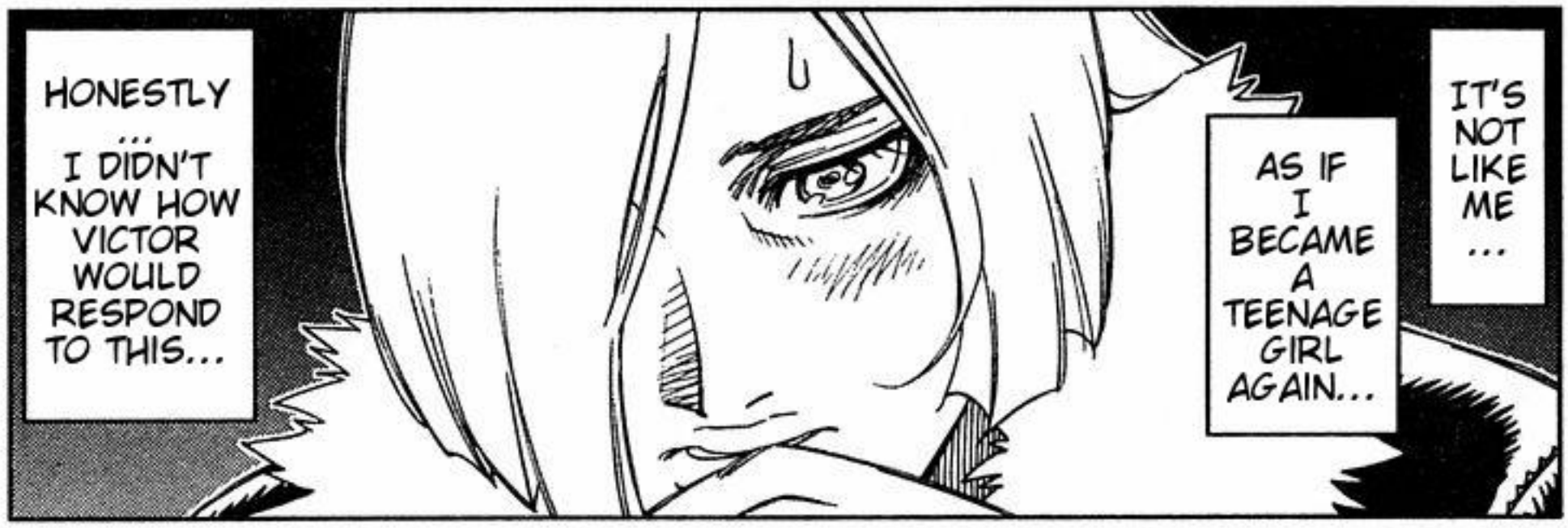
I DARED TO SAY IT ALL...

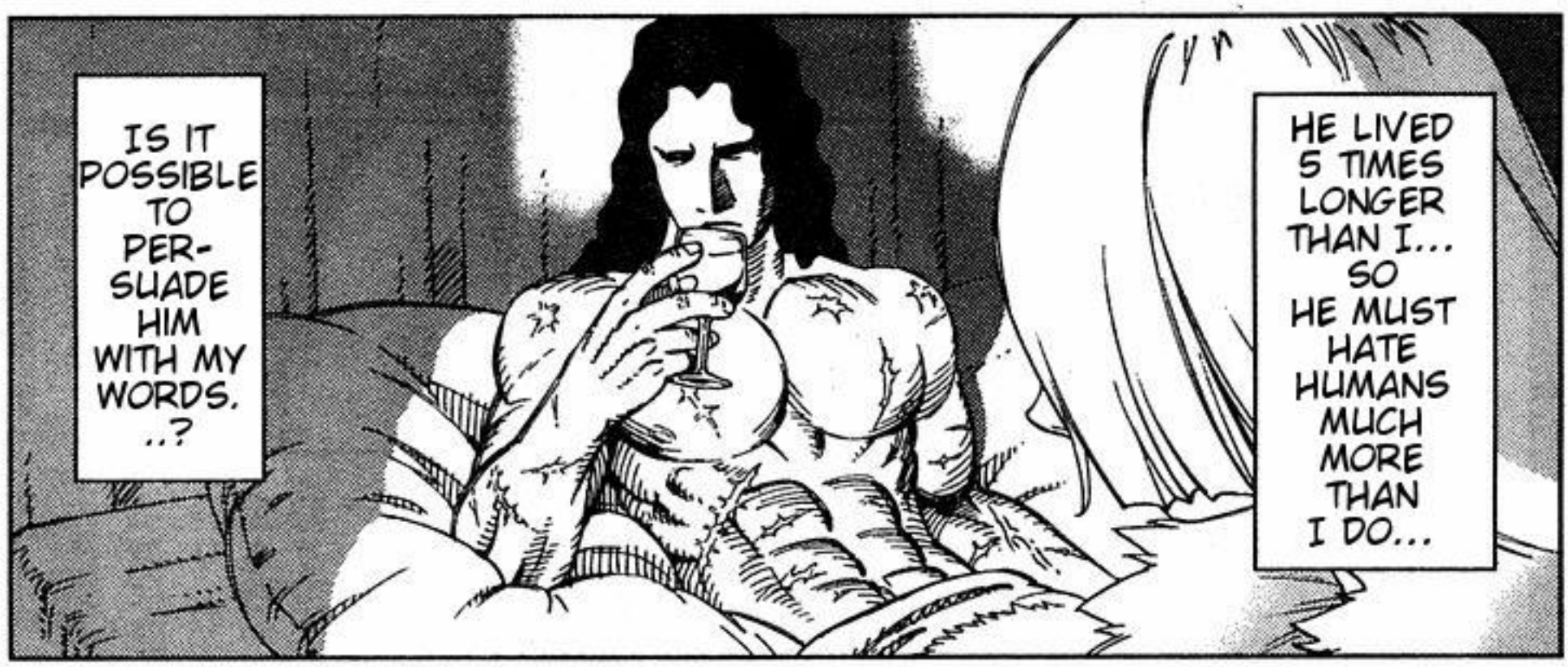
WE COGNITES DON'T CREATE ANYTHING... AND WE WILL DIE OUT WITH THE HUMANS IF WE CONTINUE LIKE THIS...

I ALSO EX-PLAINED WHAT I THINK...

WE ARE JUST GOING AROUND FROM PLACE TO PLACE AND HUNT SURVIVORS AND DESTROY ALL THEY HAVE...



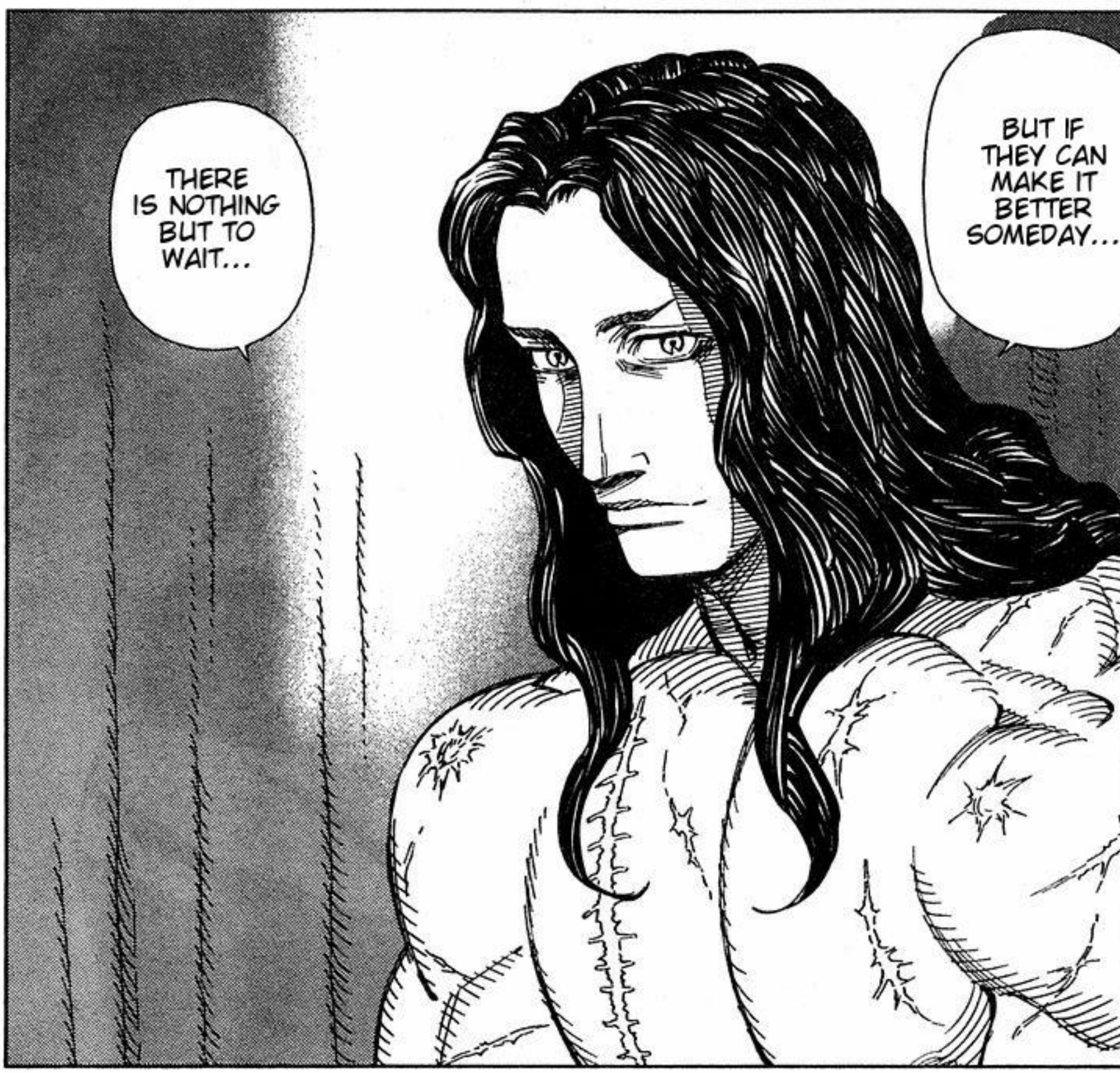


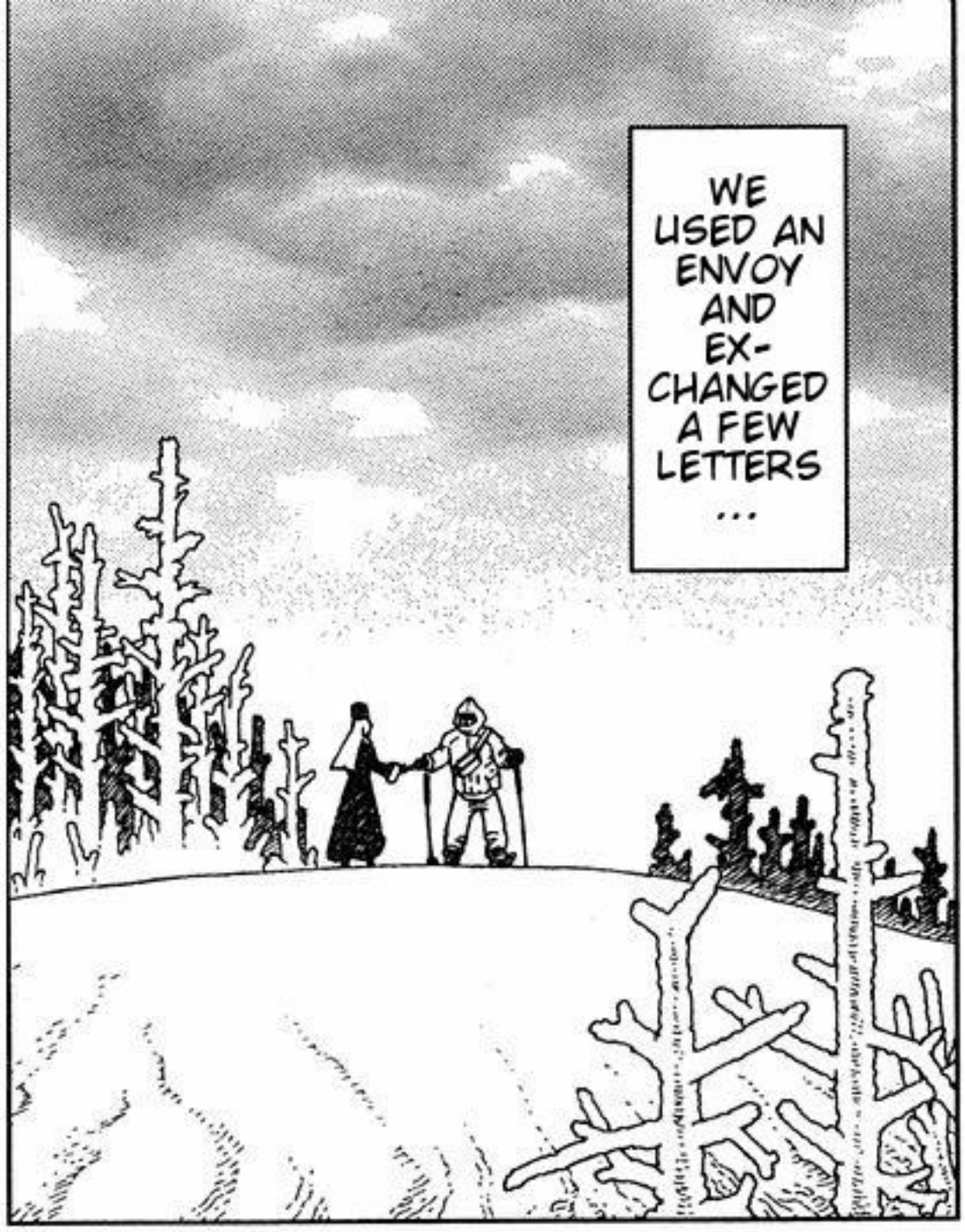


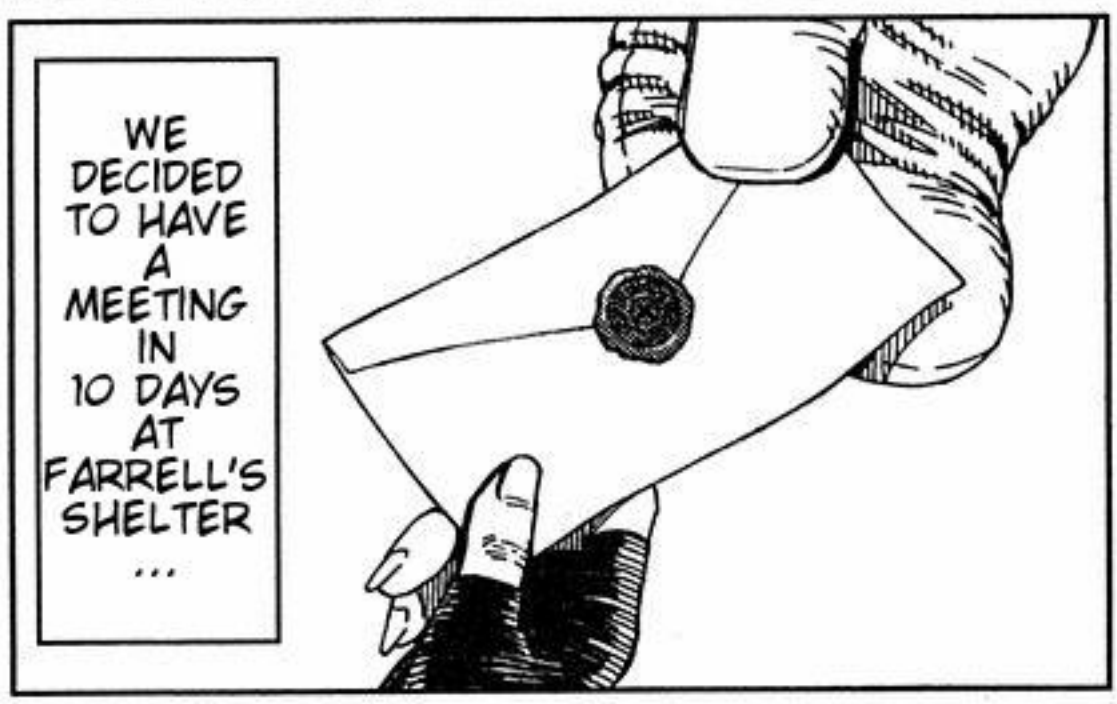
BUT THERE IS NOTHING MUCH TO SAY THAT JOHN'S, COLLIN'S, AND ALL THE OTHER PEOPLE'S FATES... IT ALL DEPENDS ON HIM...

THIS WINE IS NOT TASTY!!

TINK


THERE IS NOTHING BUT TO WAIT...
BUT IF THEY CAN MAKE IT BETTER SOMEDAY...


WE USED AN ENVOY AND EX-CHANGED A FEW LETTERS ...


WE DECIDED TO HAVE A MEETING IN 10 DAYS AT FARRELL'S SHELTER ...

THAT WAS THE HAPPIEST TIME I EVER HAD...
WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT NOW, THAT TIME WHEN I WAS WAITING FOR THAT MEETING ...

BYO OOOO OOOO

HU HU HU ...

ARE YOU THIS HAPPY?

YOU LOOK LIKE A BRIDE WHO IS WAITING FOR HER WEDDING...

WE DON'T HAVE TO HATE ANYONE ANYMORE...

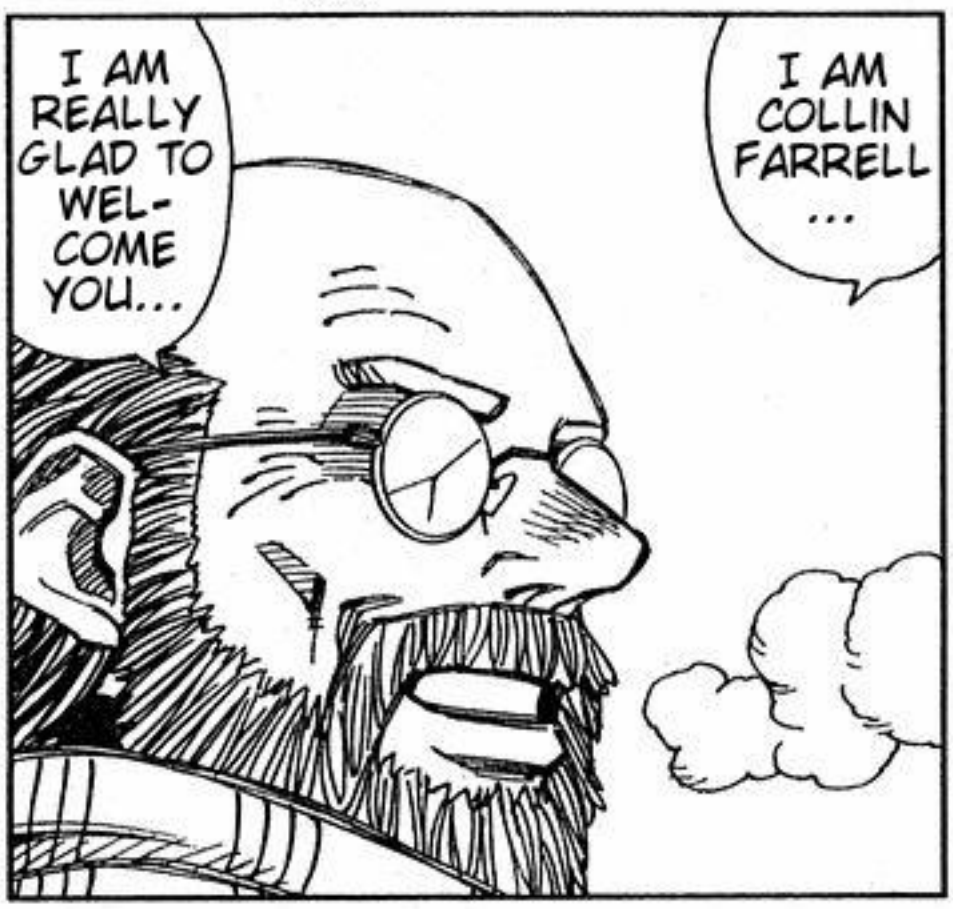
BUT LATER I'D REALIZE THAT THIS HUG HAD ANOTHER MEANING...

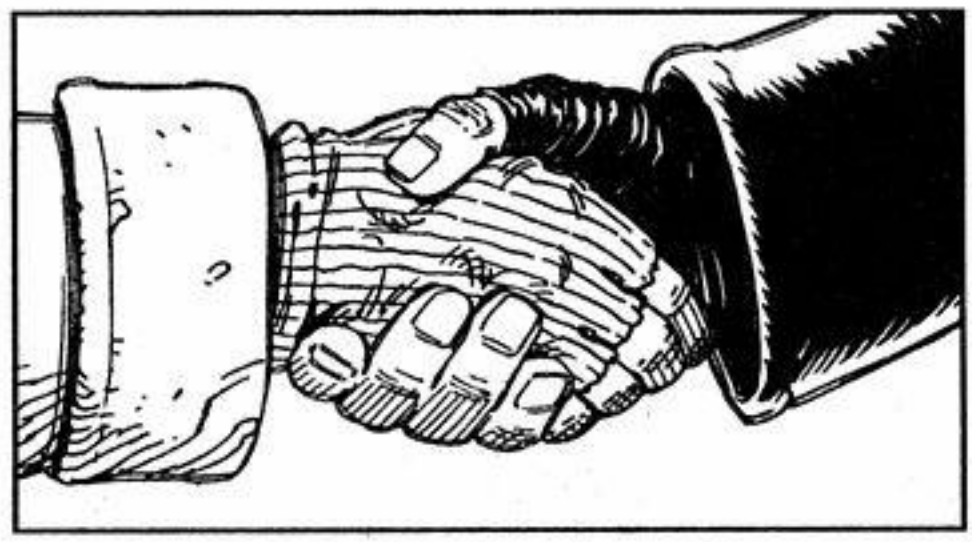
AT THAT TIME I BELIEVED THAT HE FELT THE SAME WAY...

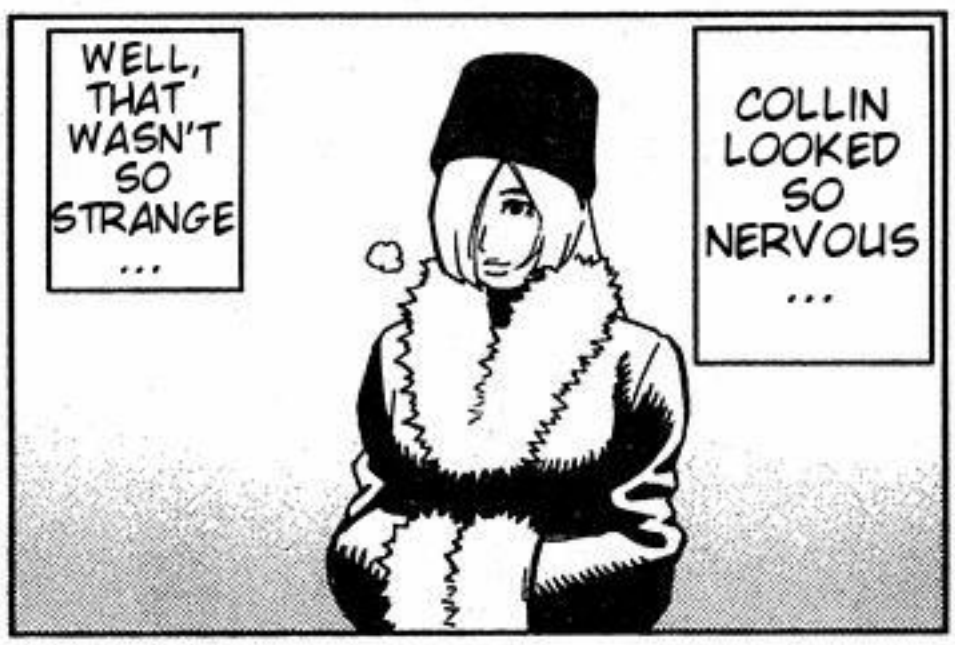
I WONDER HOW HE FEELS IF WE ARE ALL RELEASED FROM HATRED ...

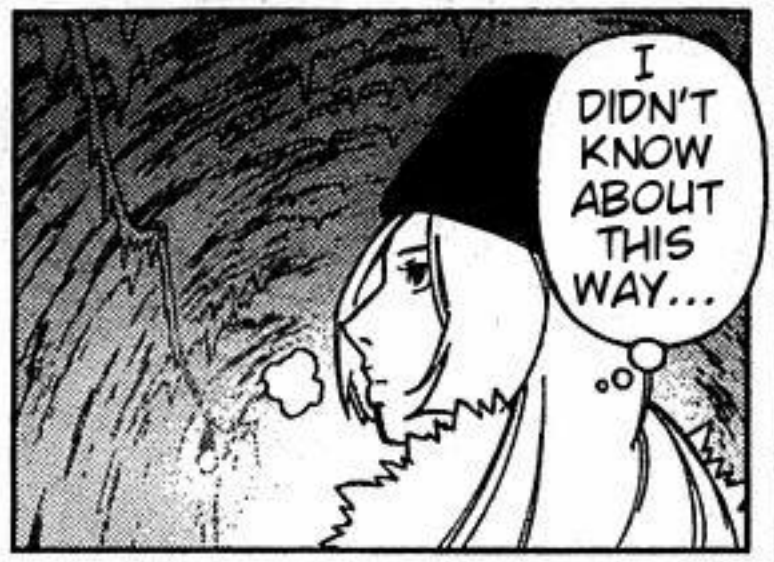
THAT'S RIGHT ...

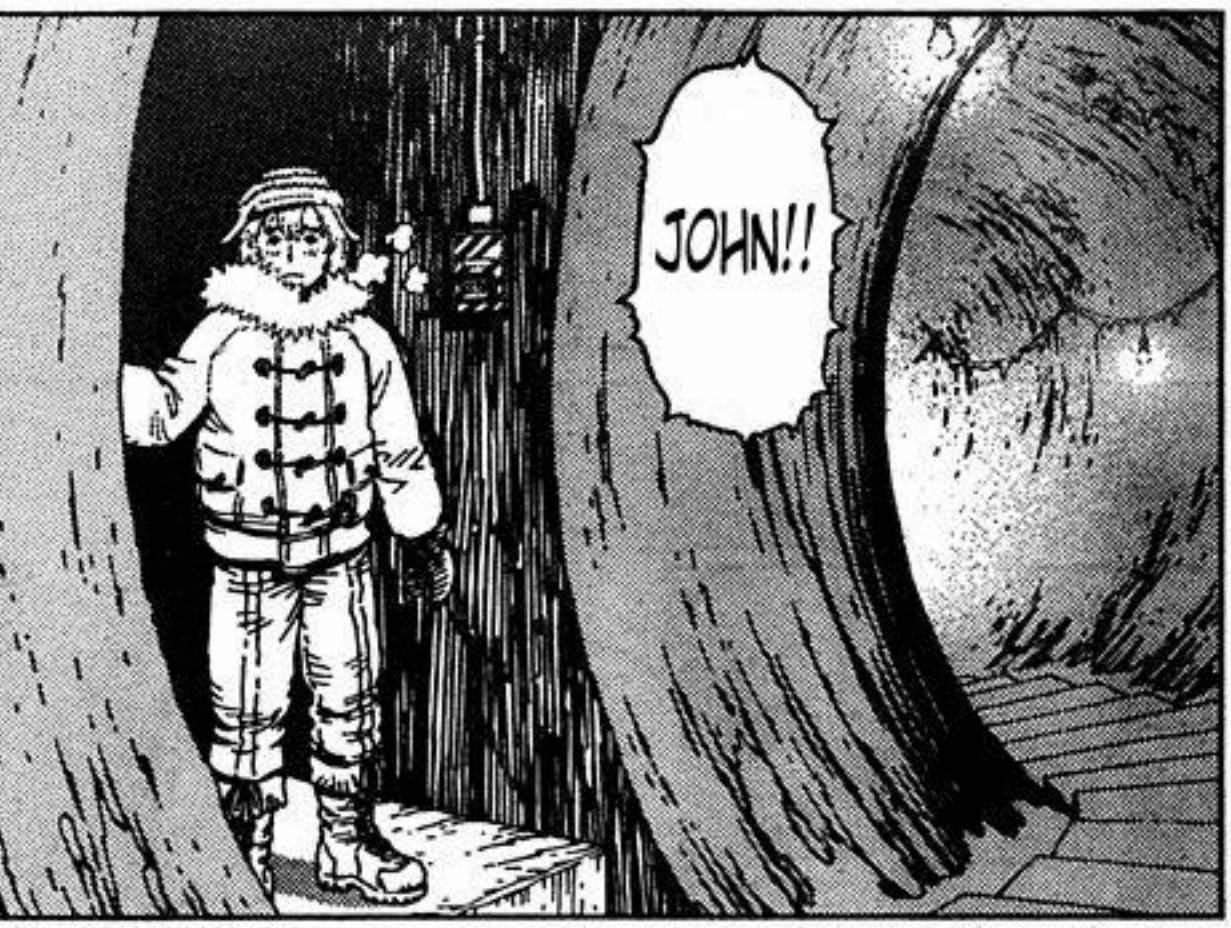
THE MEETING DAY CAME...

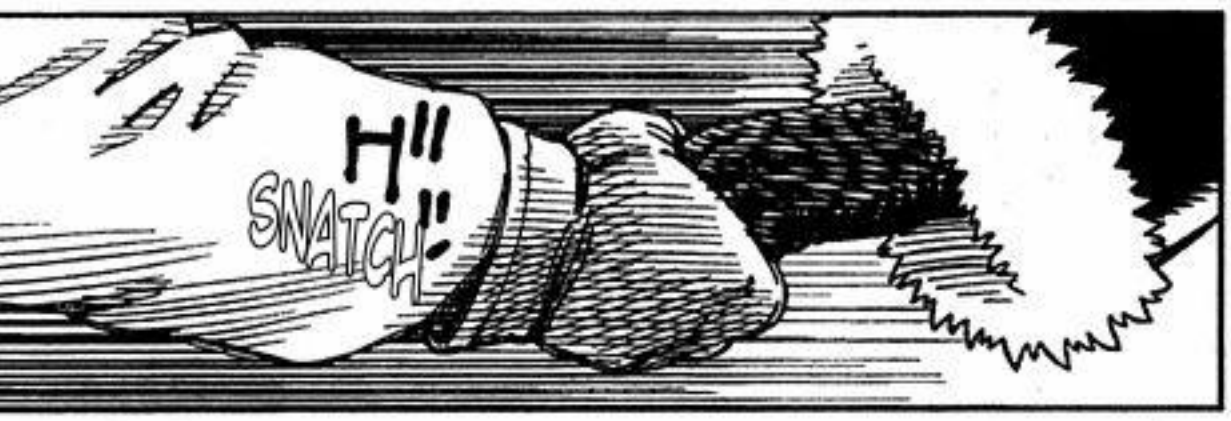







I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS WAY...


JOHN!!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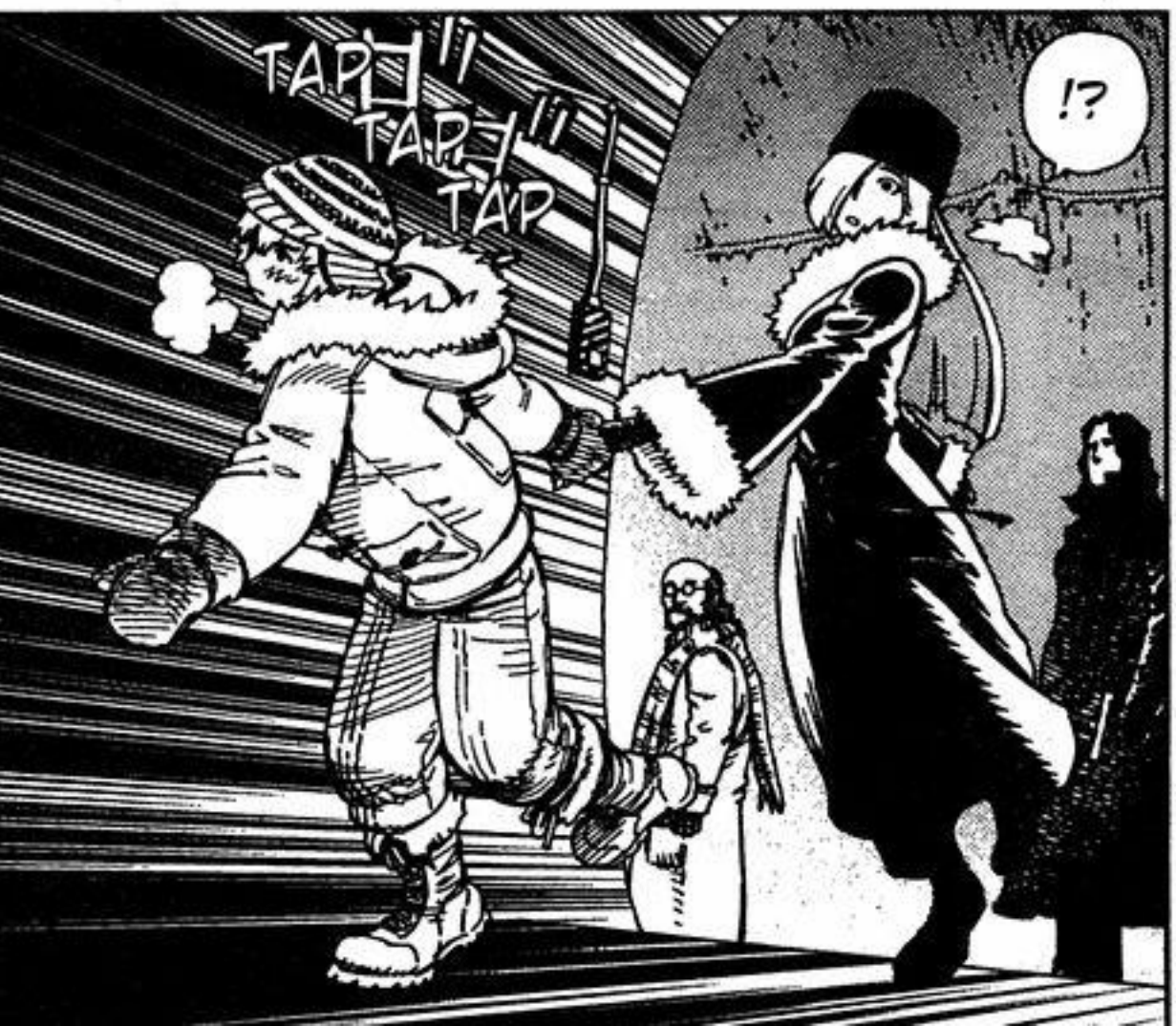
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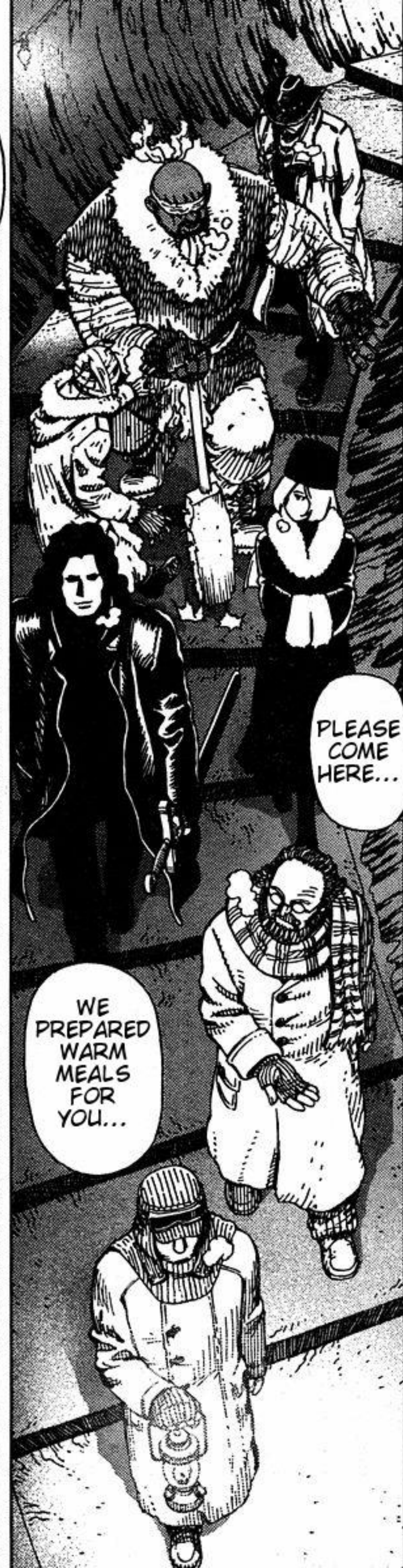
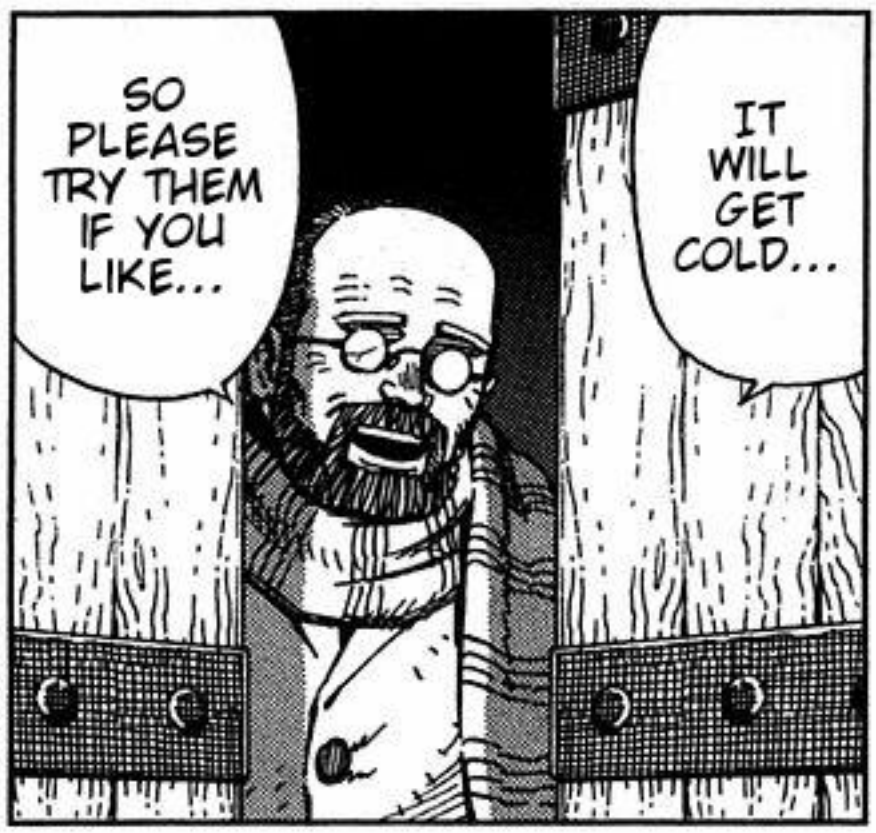

PLEASE COME HERE...
WE PREPARED WARM MEALS FOR YOU...

PLEASE COME IN...

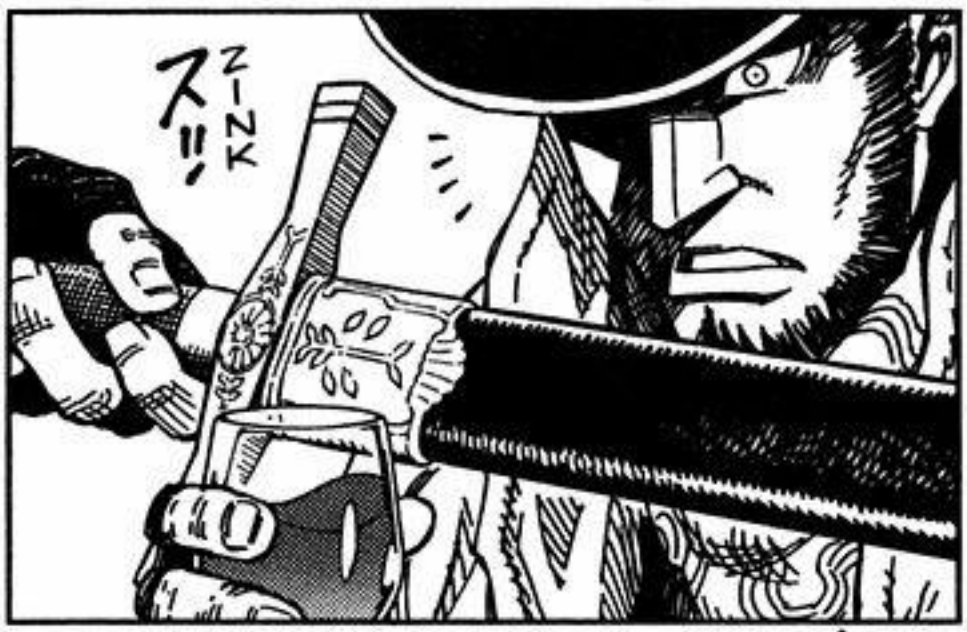
AND SIT WHEREVER YOU WOULD LIKE...


SO PLEASE TRY THEM IF YOU LIKE...
IT WILL GET COLD...

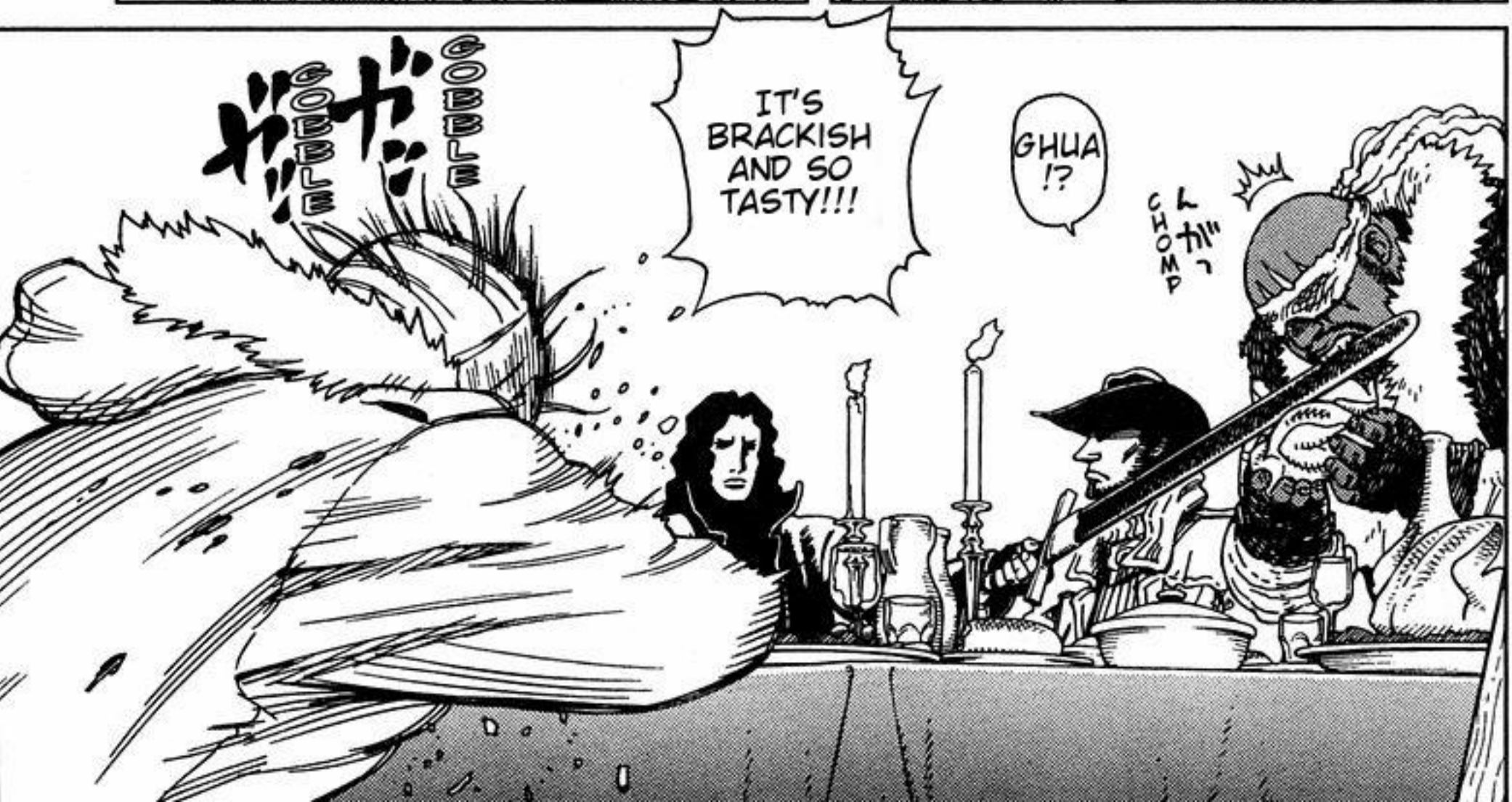
IT LOOKS TASTY ...
DRIP
DRIP

I WILL CALL MRS. BYRON...

KLACK


ZINK

HOW LONG HAVEN'T I EATEN A MEAL LIKE THIS!!!
UHYA !!!


GOBBLE GOBBLE GOBBLE
IT'S BRACKISH AND SO TASTY!!!
GHUA !?
CHOMP

ARE YOU SCARED OF THEM???
HUN?? WHAT'S UP???

WE ARE ALL FRIENDS NOW!
DON'T WORRY... THEY LOOK BAD, BUT ME AND VICTOR WILL PROTECT YOU ALL!!

JOHN! I KEPT OUR PROMISE!!!

EH??

PLEASE FORGIVE MY DAD...
VILMA ...

GSHAN

GYA

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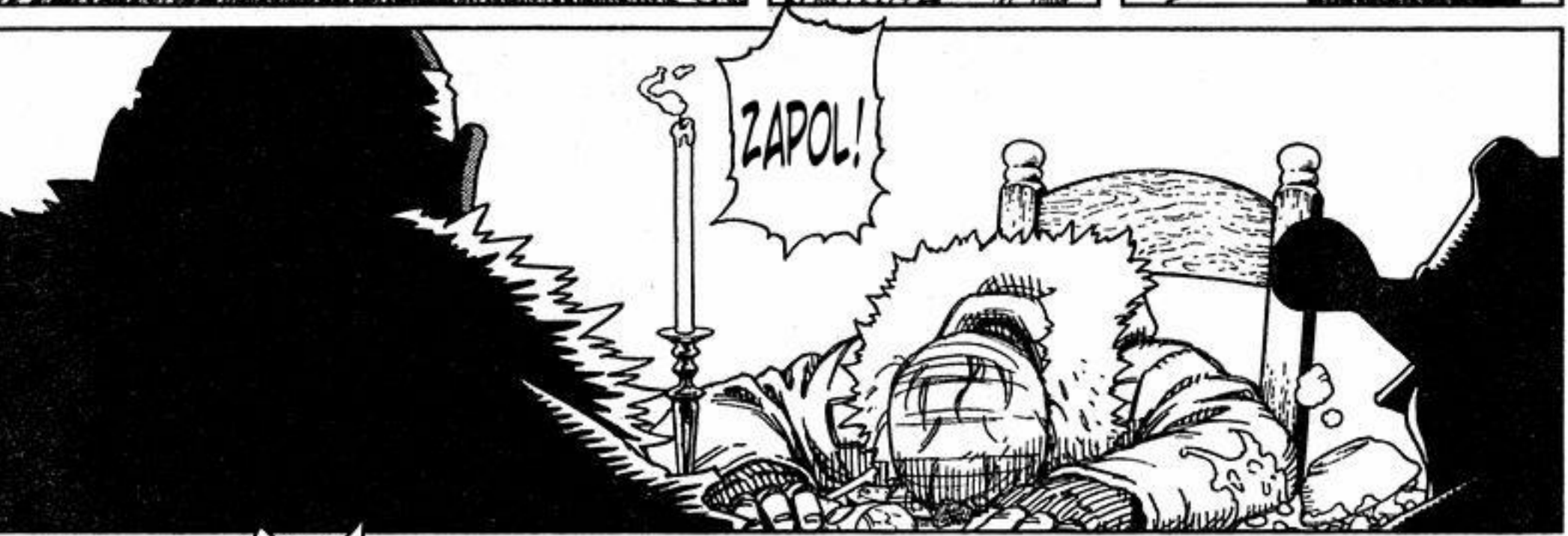
SNIFF

THEY SMELL WEIRD ...


ZAPOL!

SHIT, IT'S A TRAP!!

DOOOM

GAAAAAA

GOD DAMN FUCKIN' PIGS!!!

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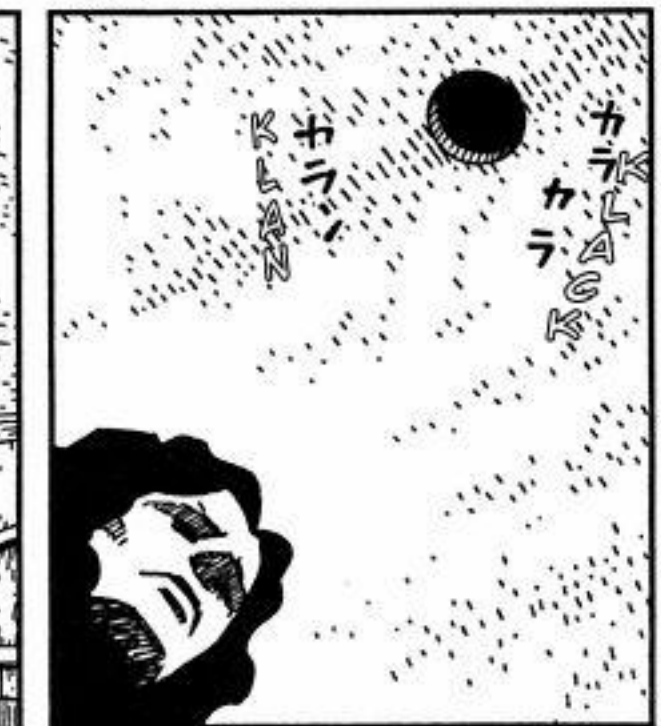
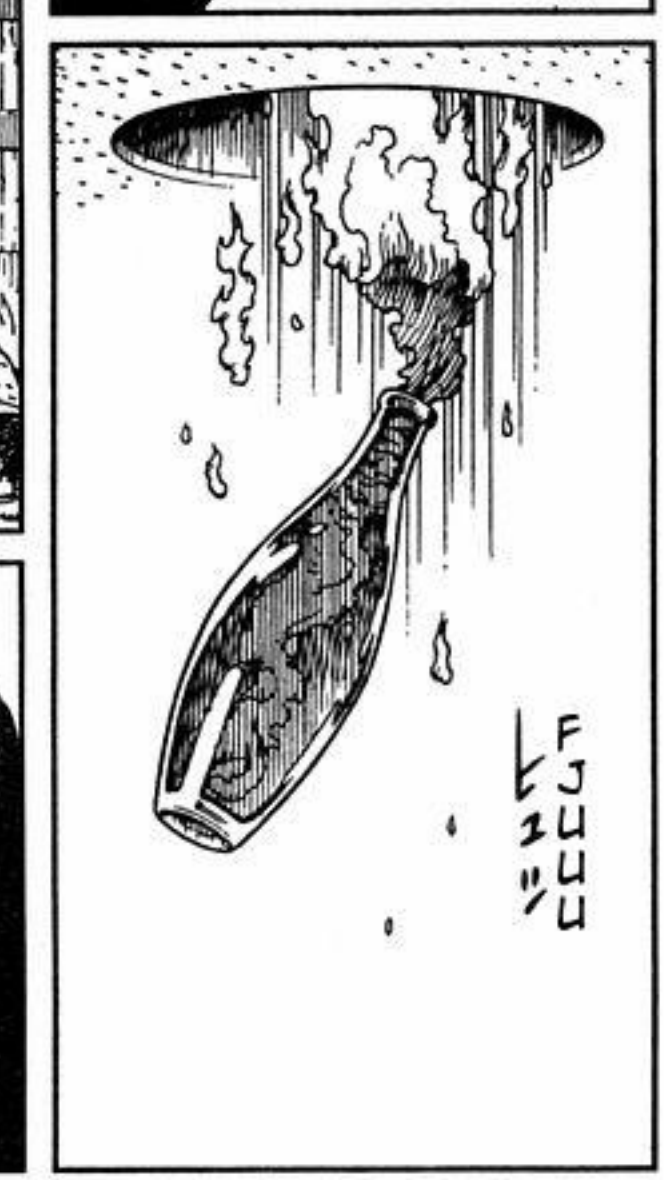
WAIT, JACCO.
LOOK AT THE FLOOR.

TAP





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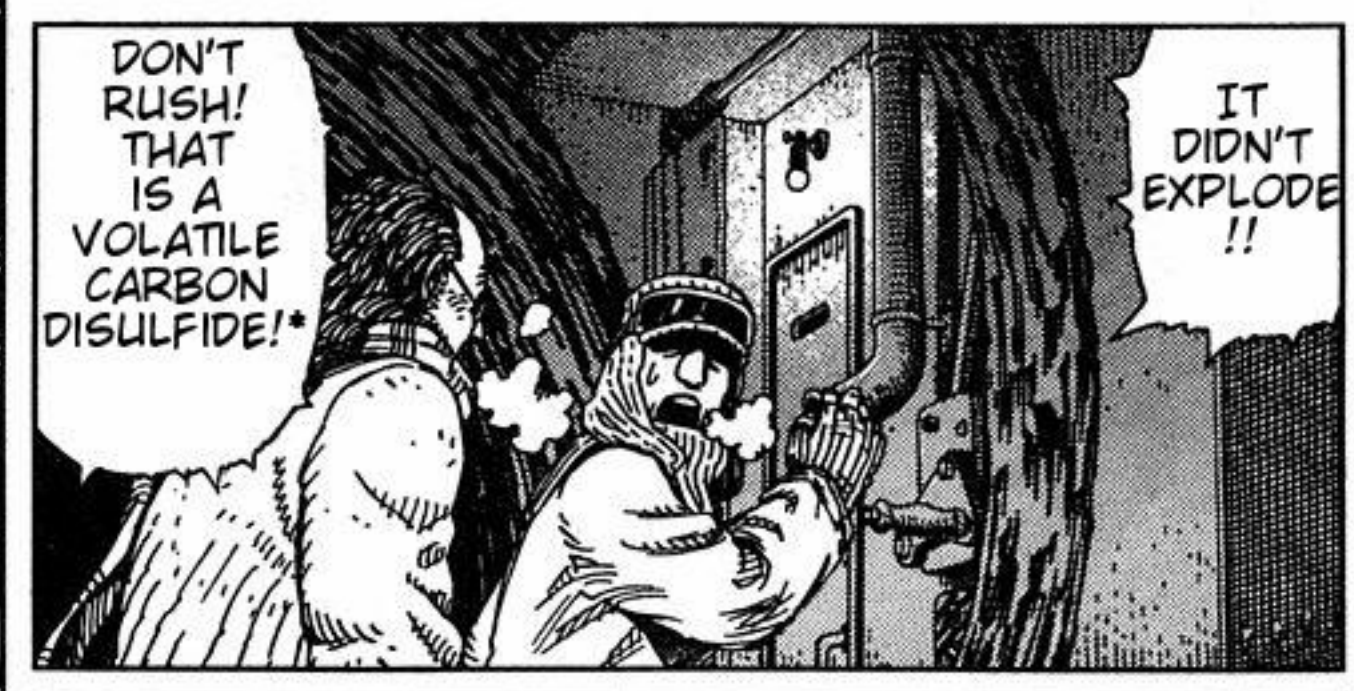
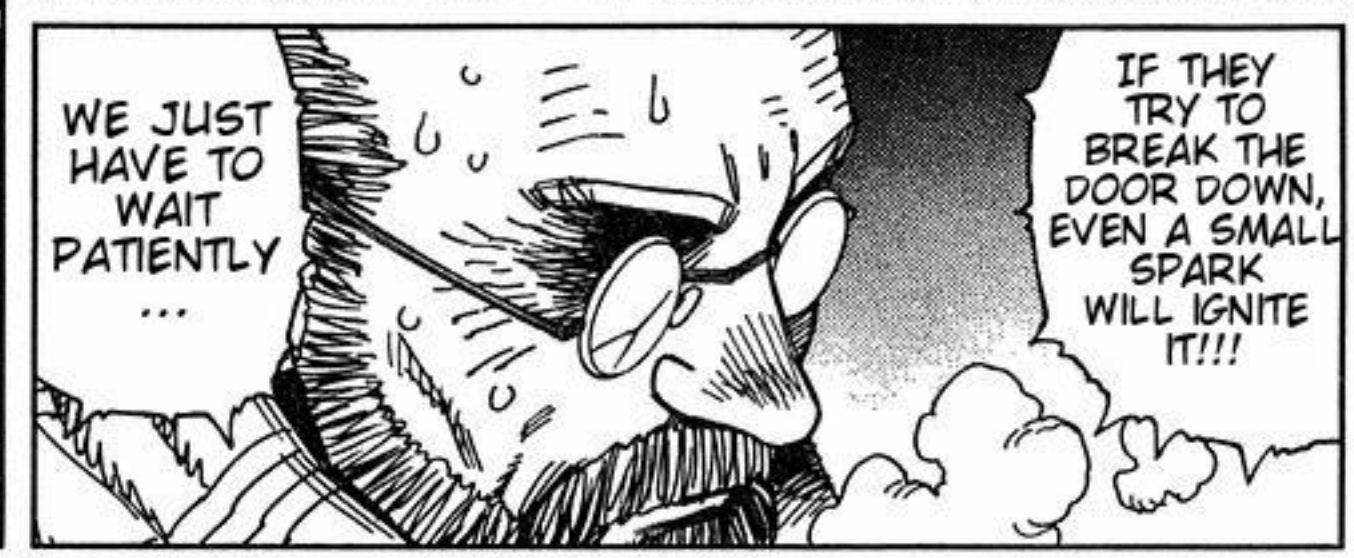
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS!?


DON'T RUSH! THAT IS A VOLATILE CARBON DISULFIDE!*
IT DIDN'T EXPLODE !!


WE JUST HAVE TO WAIT PATIENTLY ...
IF THEY TRY TO BREAK THE DOOR DOWN, EVEN A SMALL SPARK WILL IGNITE IT!!!

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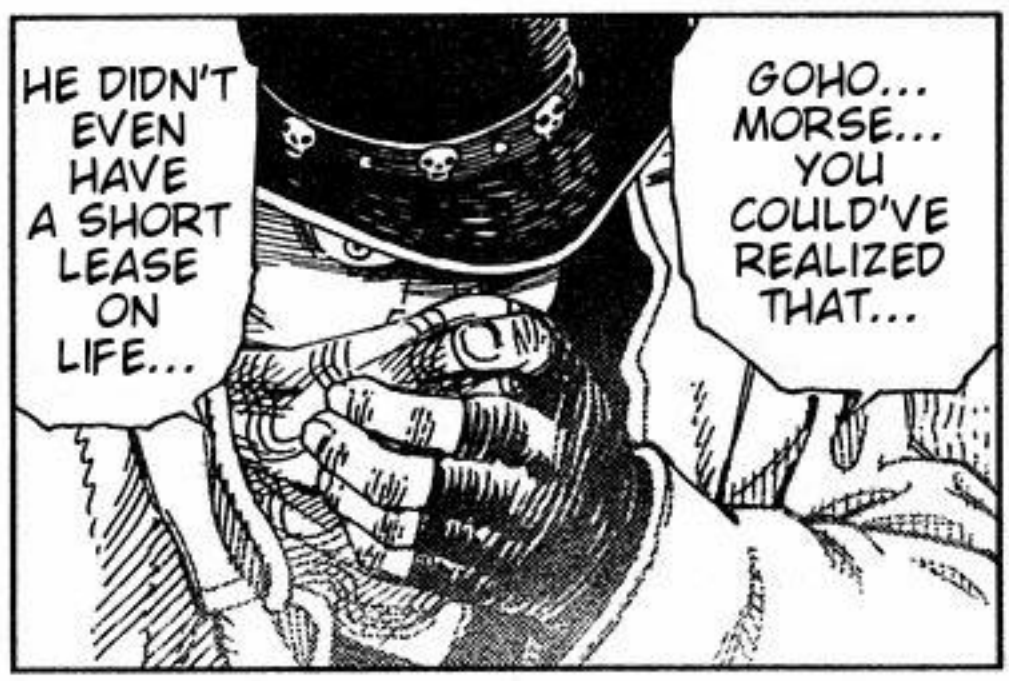
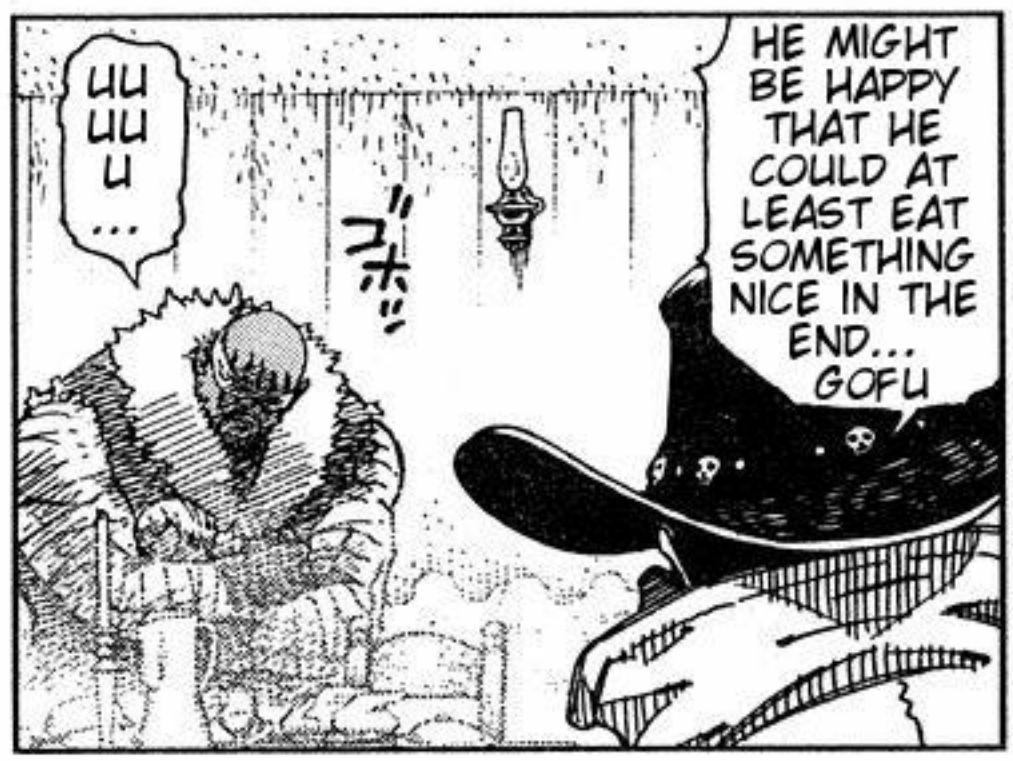
ZAPOOOL !!!

ELIZA ...


HE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A SHORT LEASE ON LIFE...
GOHO... MORSE... YOU COULD'VE REALIZED THAT...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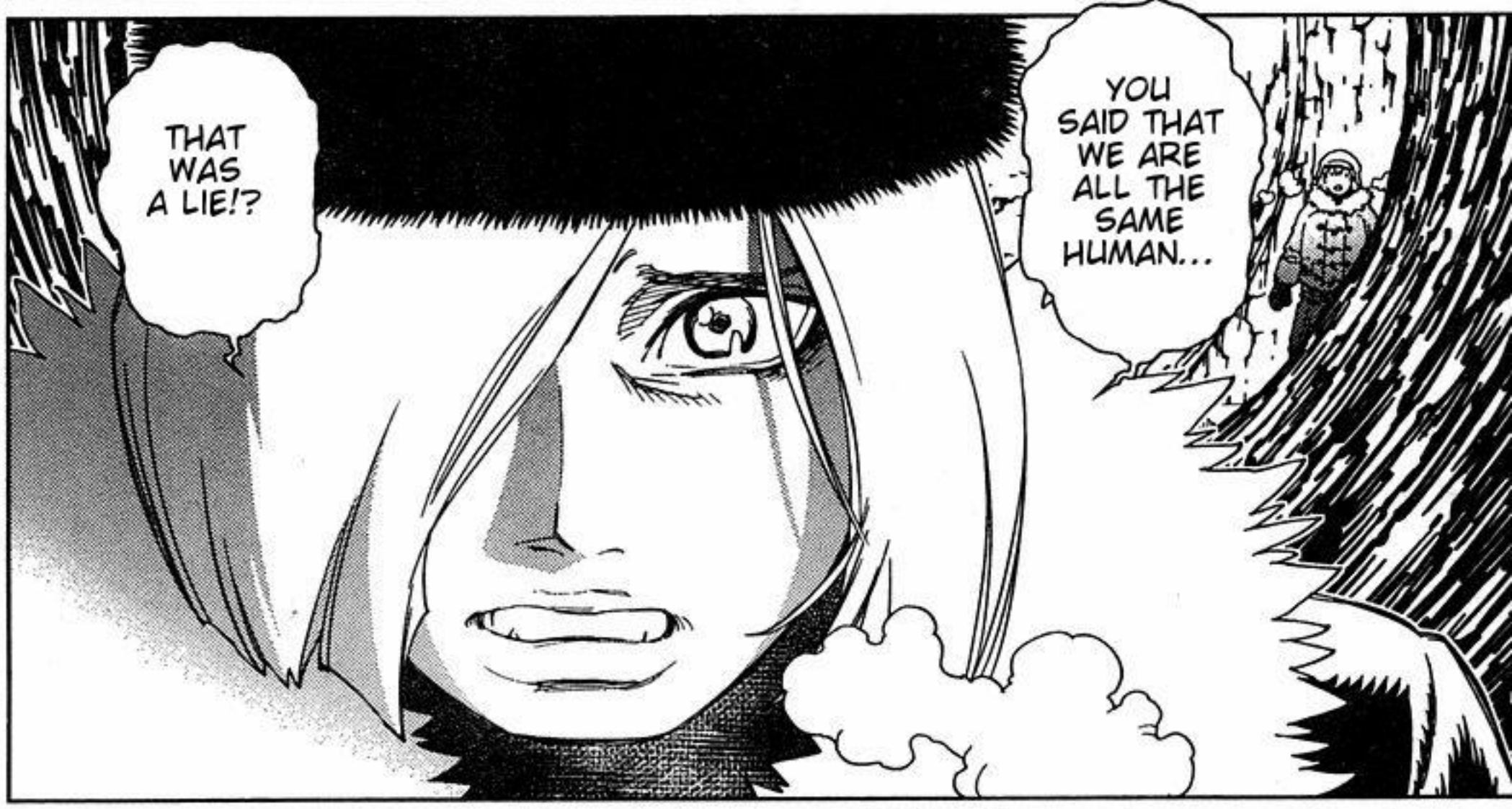
HE MIGHT BE HAPPY THAT HE COULD AT LEAST EAT SOMETHING NICE IN THE END... GOFU

YOU KNEW THAT THEY POISONED THE MEAL!?
WHY YOU...

LOOK!!!

THIS IS TRUE HUMAN NATURE!!!

ME...
YOU DE-CEIVED...


THAT WAS A LIE!?
YOU SAID THAT WE ARE ALL THE SAME HUMAN...

BUT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE FROM SOME-WHERE ELSE...
NO, IT WASN'T ...
WHAT WE ARE AFRAID OF ARE NOT VAMPIRES OR DEVILS.

YOU ARE BEAU-TIFUL AND CLEVER.

PLEASE STAY HERE AS JOHN'S MOTHER!!!

I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT THE SHELTER FROM UNKNOWN MURDERERS.

BUT YOU ARE DIFFERENT, VILMA...

THEY ARE SHEEP THAT LOST THEIR SHEPARD AND WE ARE THE WOLVES THAT HUNT THEM...

GOD ORDAINED THIS DOOM AND IT WILL BE NEVER BE CHANGED!!!

HUMANS WOULD JUST LEAD US INTO A TRAP WITH CHEAP TRICKS...

IF YOU KNEW IT WAS A LIE... !?

THEN WHY DID YOU COME HERE...

I DIDN'T WANT TO SEE THAT YOU GOT BETRAYED AND BECOME SAD...

BUT YOU COULDN'T ADMIT TO THEIR PLOT IF WE DIDN'T COME HERE ...

VILMA... YOU ARE SUCH A SWEET WOMAN...

US...

YOU MUST CHOOSE NOW...

OR HUMANS !!

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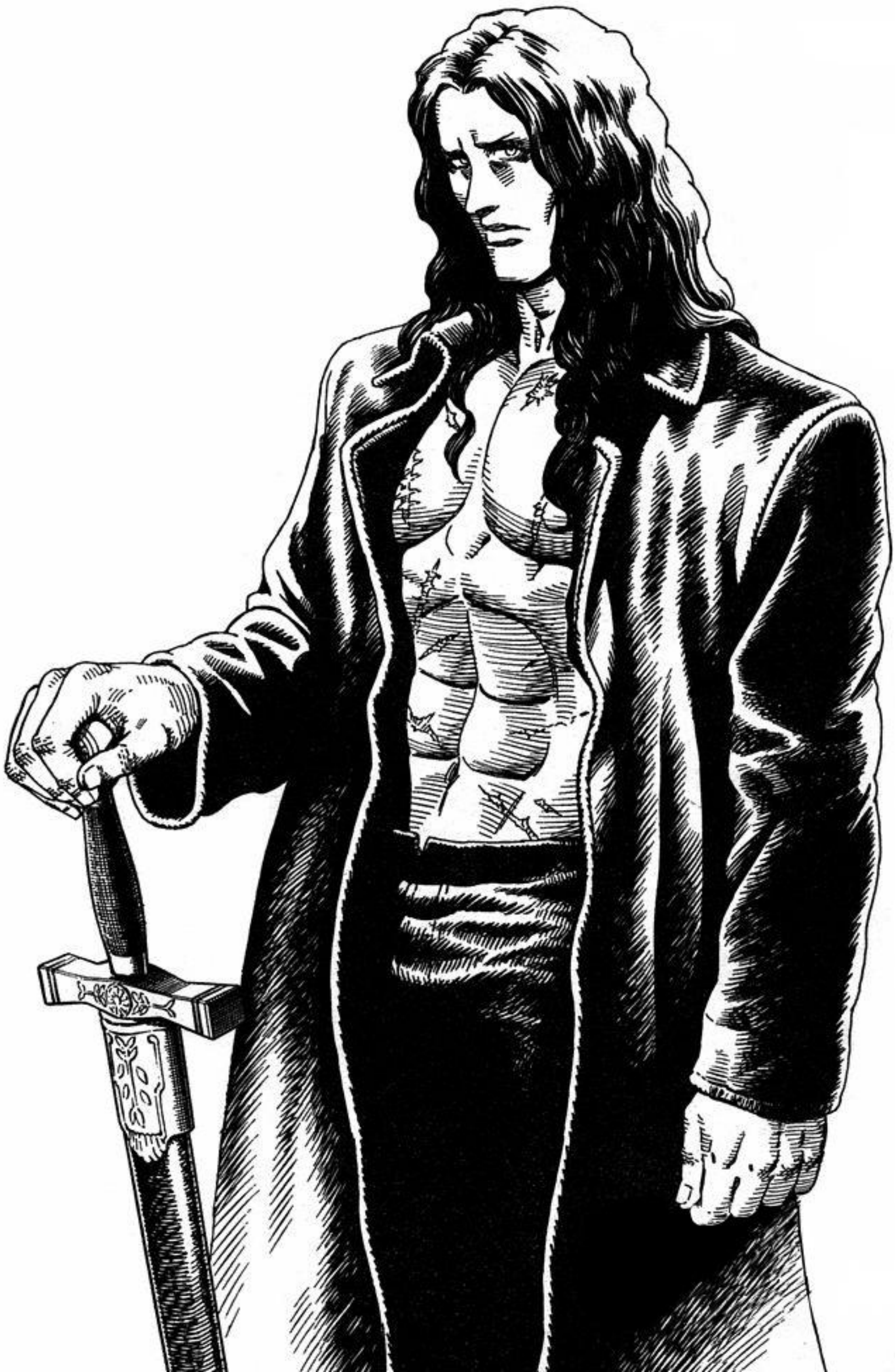
INNOCENCE THAT DESERVED TO DIE A THOUSAND TIMES



YOU KNEW IT WAS A TRAP!?

ZING

UGH...

WATCH YOUR MOUTH.

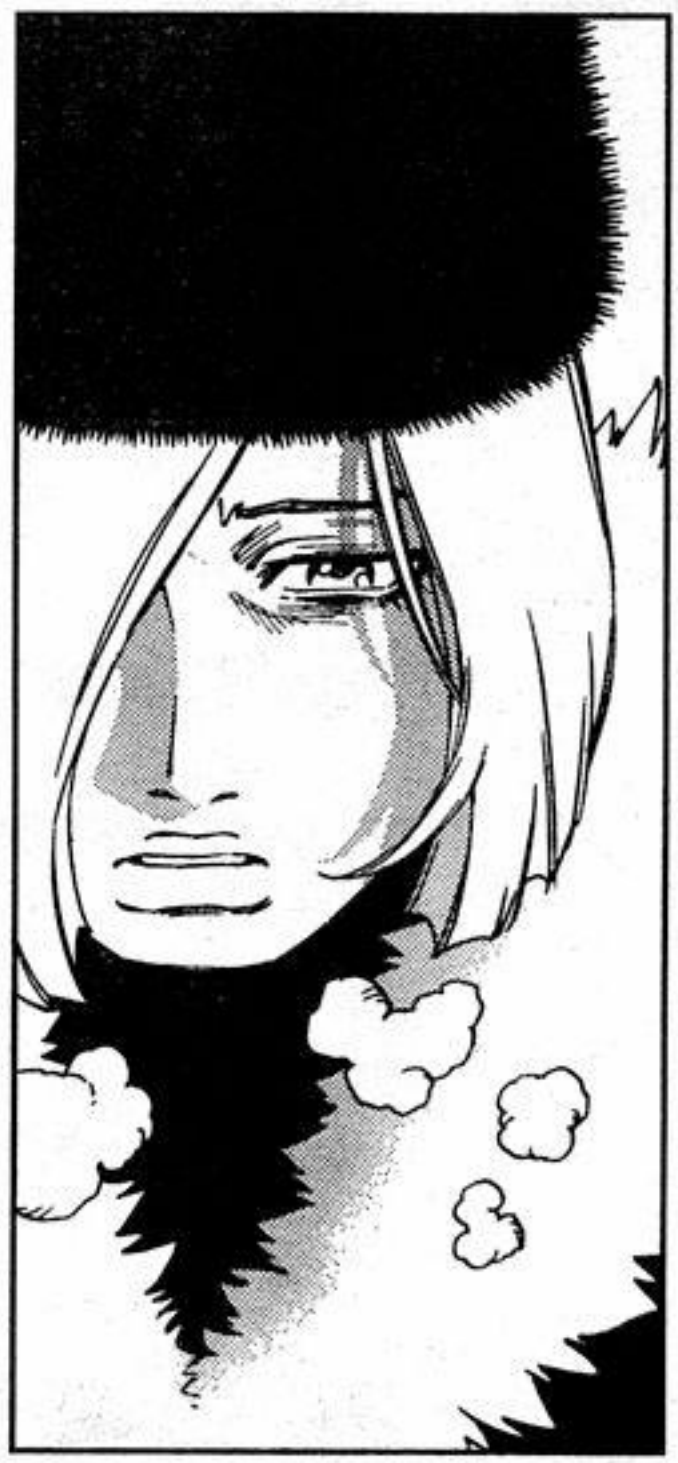
HE DOESN'T EVEN CARE ABOUT OUR LIVES AT ALL...

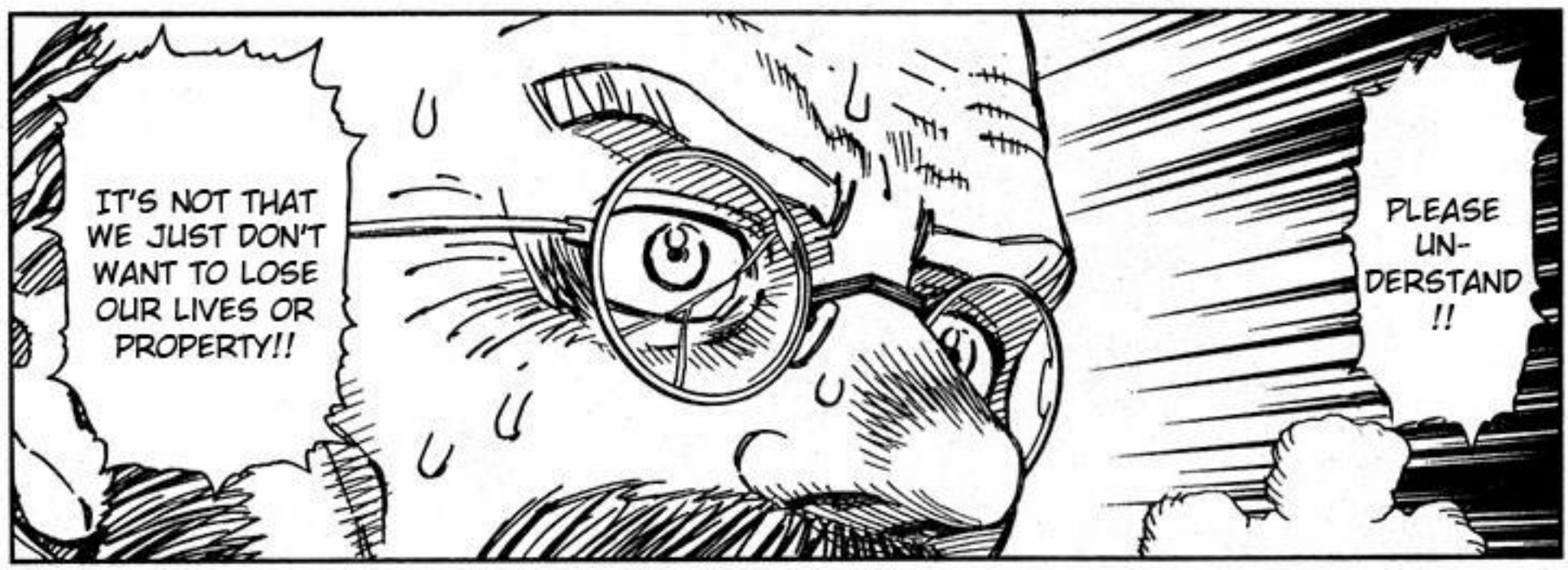
I WILL KILL ANYONE WHO INSULTS MY WIFE!!

PLEASE LISTEN TO ME! VILMA!!

YOU CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS MEANS AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS!!

MAYBE WE ARE THE ONLY HUMANS THAT CAN KEEP CIVILIZATION IN THIS WORLD!!





A GREAT WISDOM AND LEGACY THAT HUMANS HAVE MADE FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS!!!

WE HAVE A MISSION FOR THE FUTURE TO PASS DOWN.

IF WE GIVE UP NOW, HUMANS WILL DIE OUT,

LIKE ANCIENT DINOSAURS!!

PURE ANGER OF BEING BETRAYED WENT THROUGH MY VEINS.

AT THAT TIME HIS EXPLANATION COULDN'T REACH MY HEART...

JOHN AND COLLIN...

TO OVERLOOK MY LIFESAVERS TO ESCAPE

VICTOR, PLEASE SWEAR...

VILMA...

DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!!
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SWIP
WOM
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DOOM
ZUGAAAAAAAA

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BLAGHA
STOP, VIL…
KLACK
KLACK
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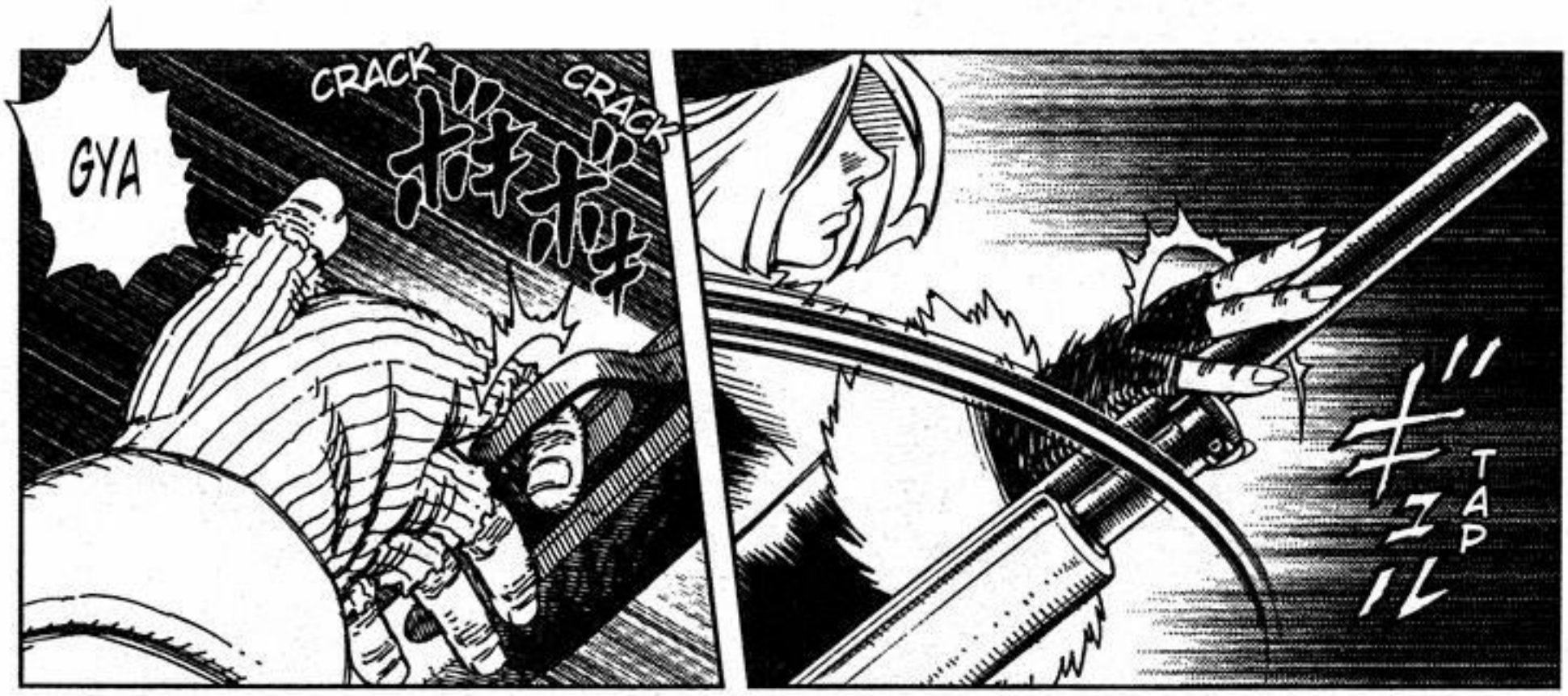
GYA
CRACK
CRACK
TAP

HUGH!?
ZUM

COLLIN AND JOHN.

I SWEAR BY MY SWORD NOT TO KILL

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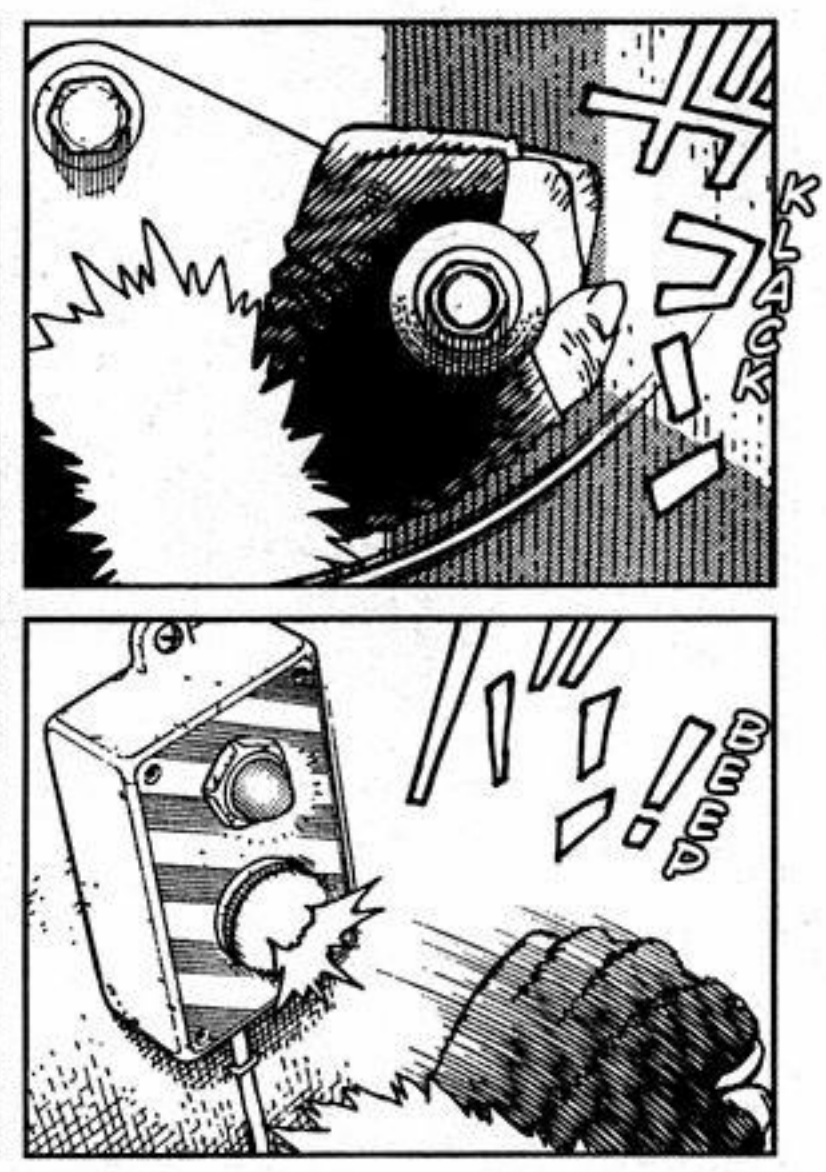
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KLACK
BEEP

HAAAA..
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SCHAKK

HUMAN'S GREAT WISDOM AND LEGACY...?

AND DO YOU THINK IT WILL GO JUST LIKE THAT AFTER YOU TRIED TO KILL US

AND PASS DOWN ONLY A CONVENIENT PORTRAYAL TO THE FUTURE!?

WE COGNITES ARE PROOF OF THE HISTORY THAT YOU CAN ONLY READ IN BOOKS!!

ABOUT THE SINS OF HUMANS AND THEIR DARK HISTORY!!

FOOL!!

BU..BUT, YOU CAN'T DEFEAT MY SOUL!!
IF YOU WANT TO KILL ME, DO IT...
SO TEARING YOU APART ISN'T ENOUGH FOR YOU!!
YOU TRIED TO KILL US AND BETRAYED THE BELIEF OF MY WIFE
SO SOMEONE ELSE IS GOING TO GET PUNISHMENT INSTEAD OF YOU...
BUT I'M A KNIGHT SO I'M NOT SHAMELESS LIKE YOU!! SO I WILL KEEP MY PROMISE.

KILL THEM ALL!!!

!!
FLIP
FINALLY ...

I WAS WAITING FOR THOSE WORDS!!
REVENGE FOR ZAPOL!!

DON'T LET A SINGLE PERSON SURVIVE!!
KILL ALL THE WOMEN, CHILDREN AND ANIMALS
BURN AND DESTROY EVERYTHING SO THAT HUMANS CAN NEVER LIVE HERE AGAIN!!

NOOOOOOO!!

YOU BASTARDS!!

GO TO HELL!!

SHKKK

SHKKK

GRUUUA!
GEHAHA
AAAHHH
AHHHH

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BLAM
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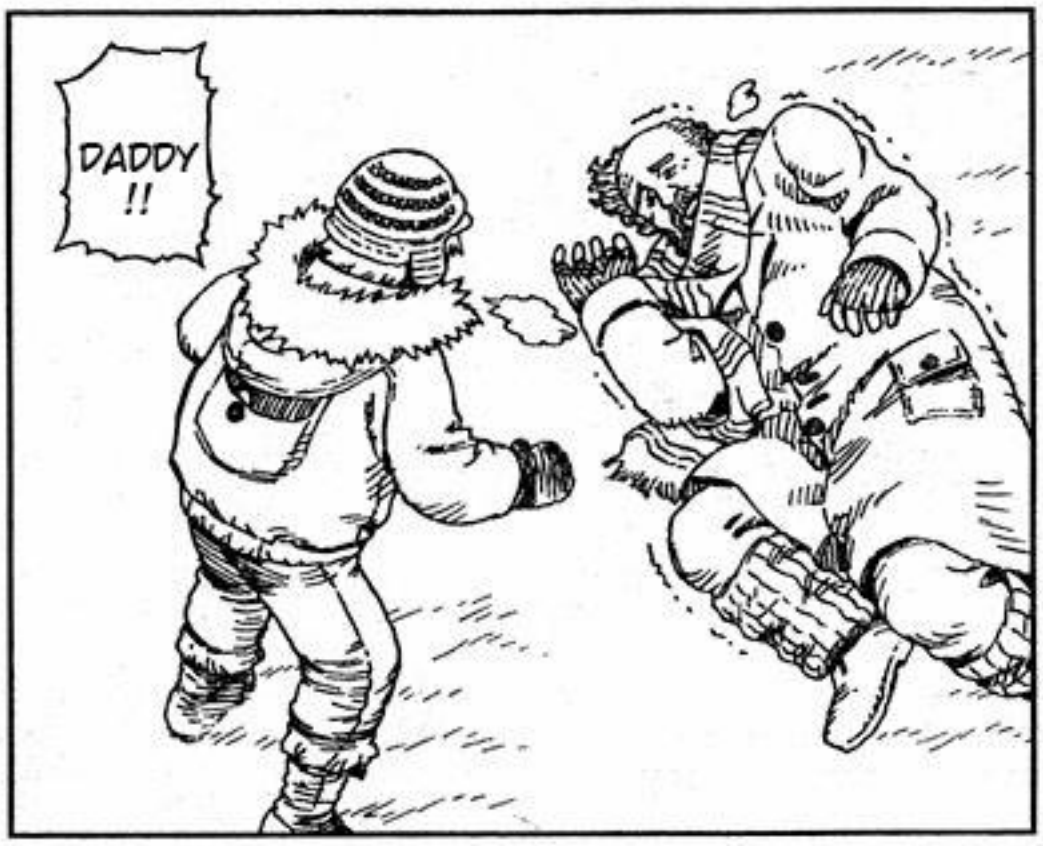
WOOOOOOOOOSHHHH

THASH



VICTOR ...!?

I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT...
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I'M SO GRATEFUL THAT YOU SAVED MY LOVING WIFE...
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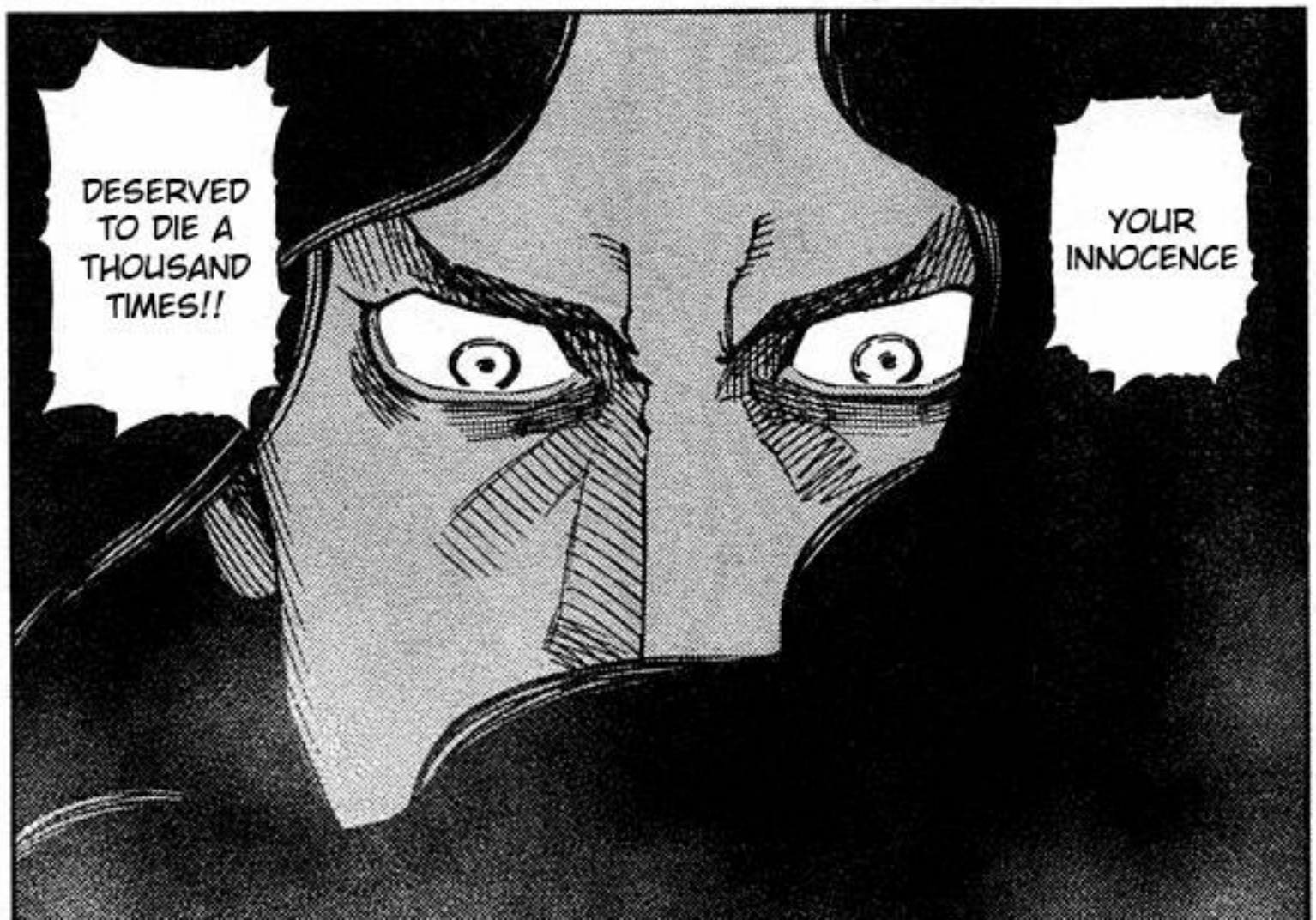
AND IN THE END IT HURT HER HEART?

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOUR INNOCENCE ATTRACTED HER HEART



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I JUST CUT OFF HIS RIGHT ARM...

I DIDN'T KILL HIM.

STOP THAT WOUND QUICKLY OR HE WILL DIE...

WHY...!?

YOU SAID... YOU PROMISED...

RIP

ZAT

AHHHH

JOHN!!

SPLAT
SPLAT!!

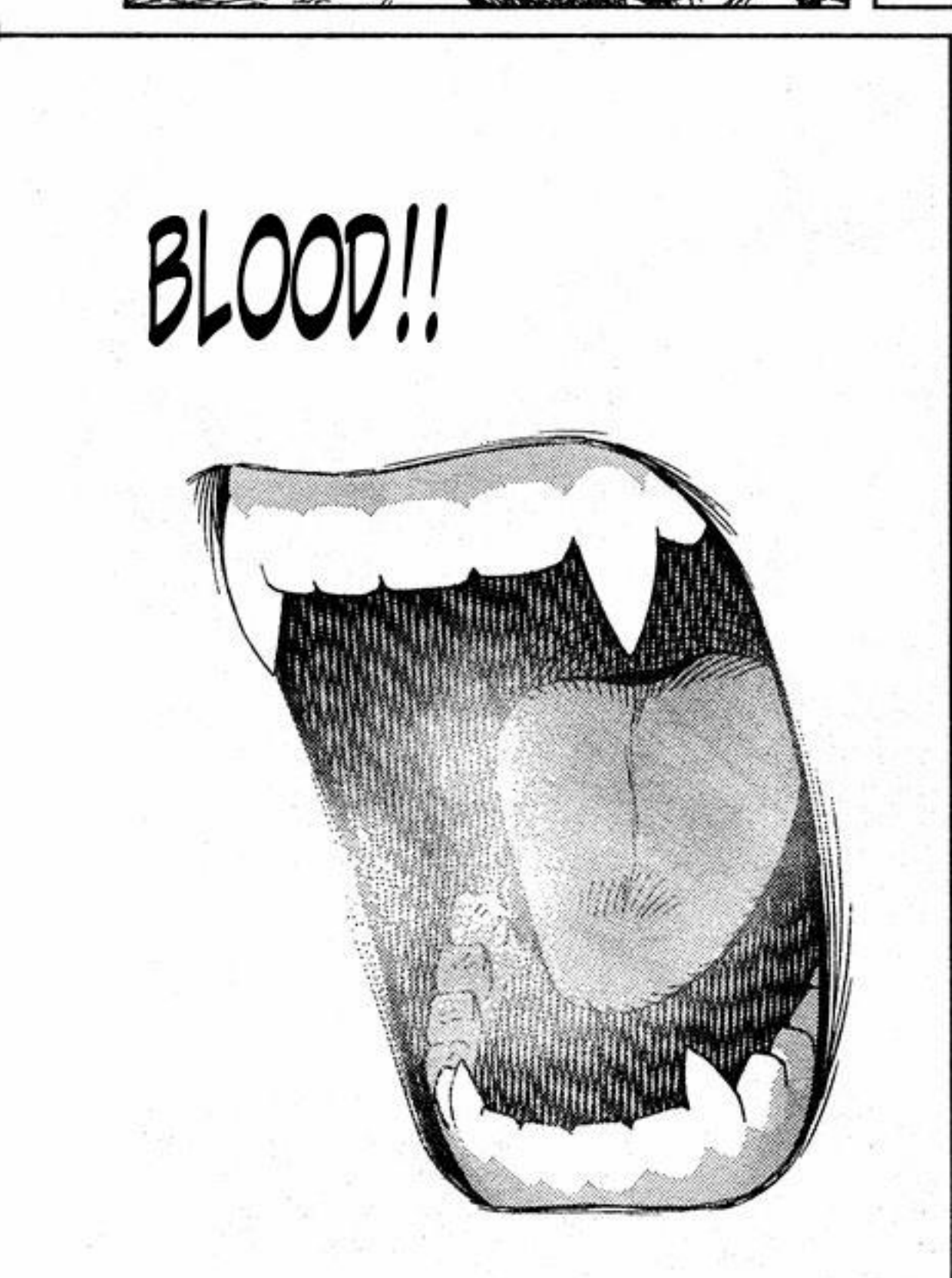
AGHHHH

AH...
AH...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO HOLD BACK...

BLOOD

FRESH BLOOD FROM THE BOY YOU LOVED...
IT MUST BE VERY TASTY...


BLOOD!!

BLOOD

WHAT ARE YOU DOING!? STOP!!

WHA

THIS IS OK...

OH...

CAUSE THIS RESULT...

ALL THINGS CONSIDE-RED...MY FOOLISH-NESS MIGHT'VE

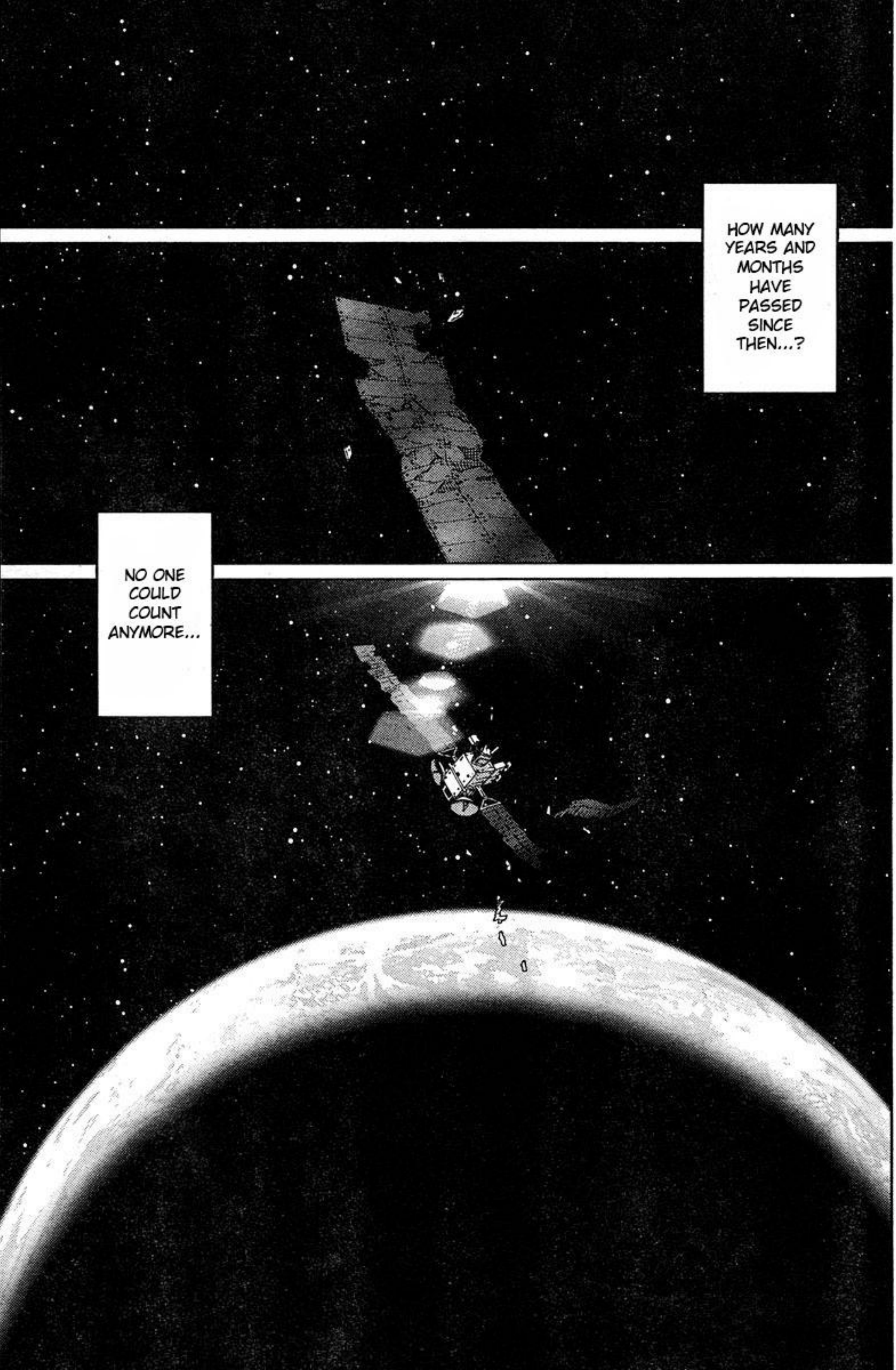
I WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO LISTEN TO HIS GUITAR PLAYING AGAIN...

TEARS FLOWED DOWN... GOT FROZEN, ERODED BY THE WIND AND FUSED WITH SNOW...

GOOD...

OH...

WOOOOOOOSH
COLLIN'S SHELTER PERISHED ...


HOW MANY YEARS AND MONTHS HAVE PASSED SINCE THEN...?
NO ONE COULD COUNT ANYMORE...

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Last Order
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THE LONG, LONG WINTER ...
THE NUMBER OF LIVING THINGS WAS DE-CREASING DAY BY DAY...

WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

AND ALL LIVING THINGS ARE GONE EXCEPT US...

WELL... FIRST...

LET'S KILL AND EAT THEM.

HEY, VICTOR...

IF WE CONTINUE TRAVELING A FEW HUNDREDS OF YEARS MORE...

AND THEN?

HAHA HAHA
VICTOR... MORSE MIGHT'VE HEARD...

IN A FROZEN WORLD...
LET'S SLEEP TOGETHER...

THEN THIS TIME I COULD BE RELEASED FROM MY CURSE AND MY HEART WOULD FINALLY REST...
ONLY YOU AND I WOULD BE IN THIS WORLD...

AND A MILLION YEARS PASS...

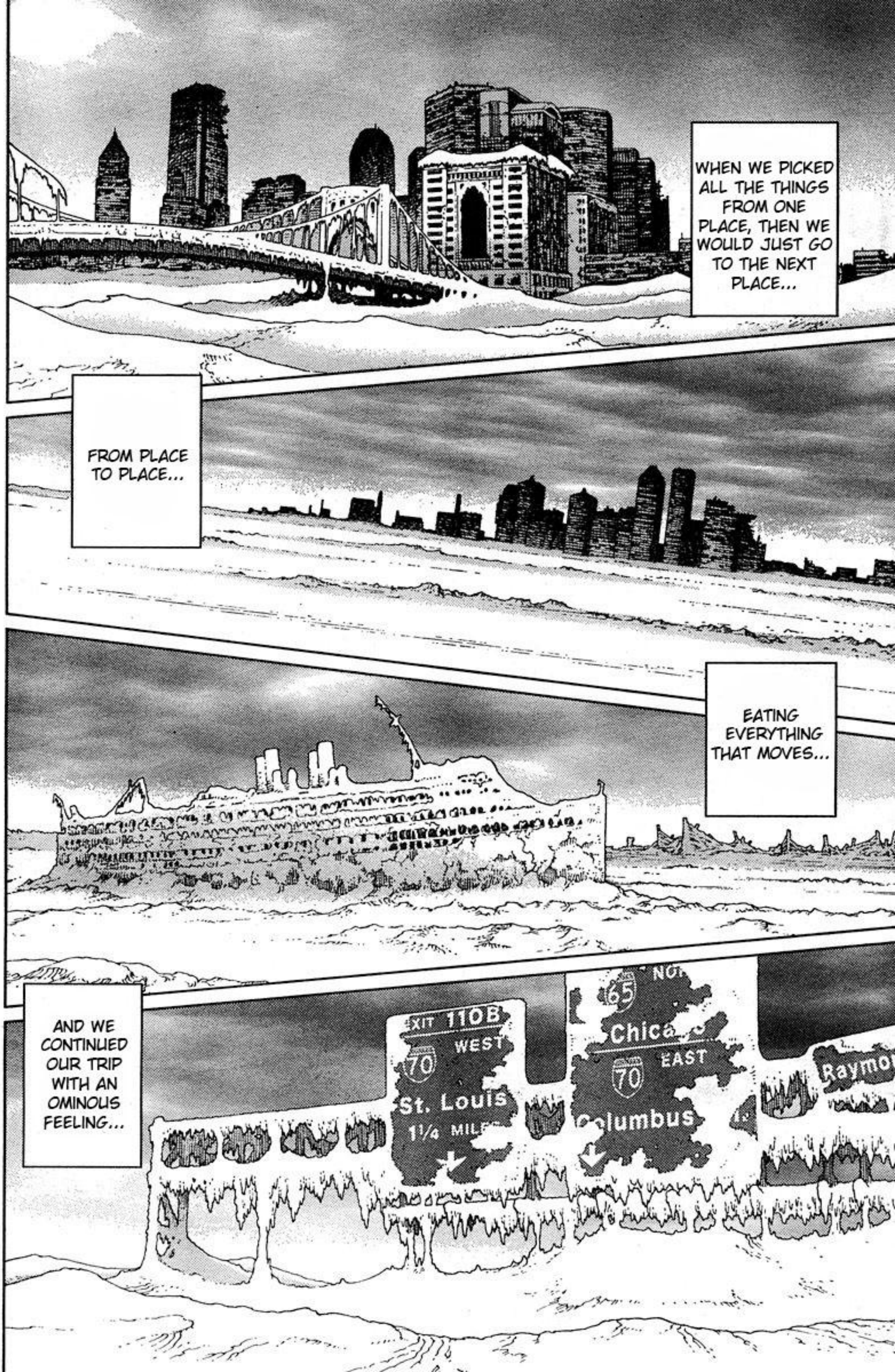
WE WOULD HOLD EACH OTHER LIKE THIS AND BECOME ICE STATUES...

YOUR IMAGINATION DOESN'T HAVE ANY LIMIT...

A MILLION YEARS!?

SOME ALIENS WOULD COME TO EMPTY THE EARTH...

AND THEY WOULD FIND OUR STATUES...


WHEN WE PICKED ALL THE THINGS FROM ONE PLACE, THEN WE WOULD JUST GO TO THE NEXT PLACE...
FROM PLACE TO PLACE...
EATING EVERYTHING THAT MOVES...
AND WE CONTINUED OUR TRIP WITH AN OMINOUS FEELING...
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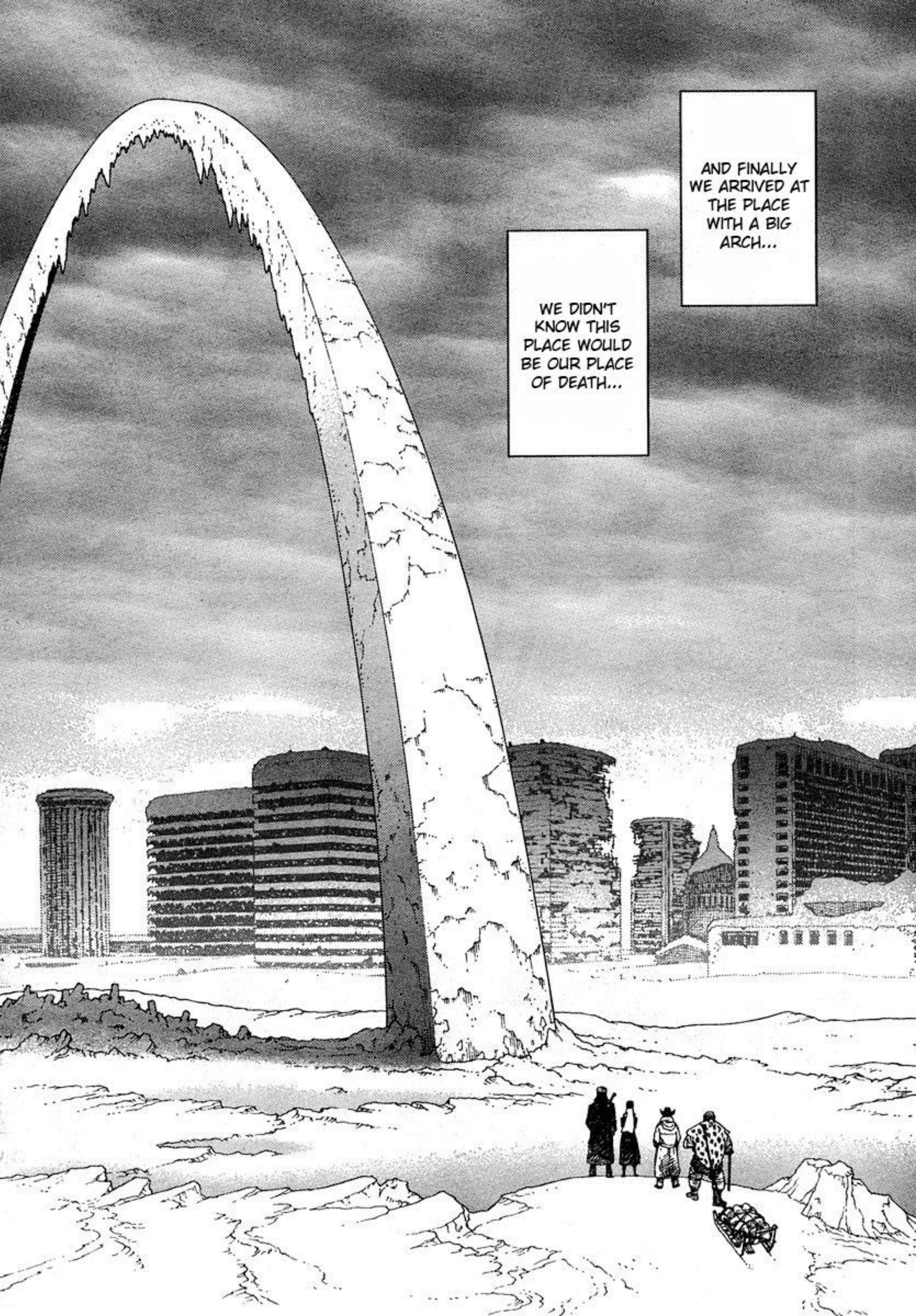
AND FINALLY WE ARRIVED AT THE PLACE WITH A BIG ARCH...
WE DIDN'T KNOW THIS PLACE WOULD BE OUR PLACE OF DEATH...

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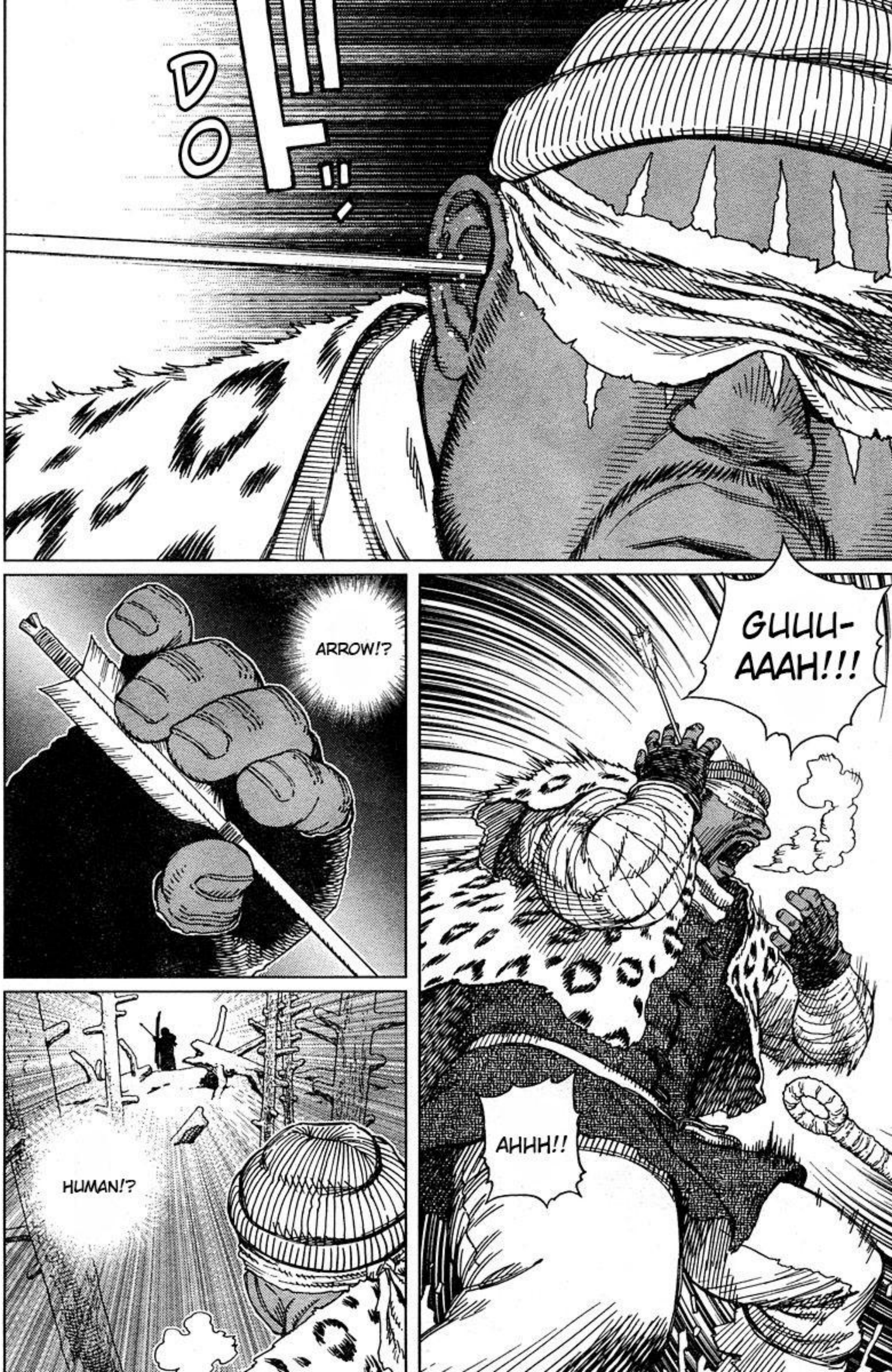
NIIIICE EFFEEEECT!!

OHHH


ARROW!?
HUMAN!?
GUUU-AAAH!!!
AHHH!!

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KEEEET
GUGAA!!

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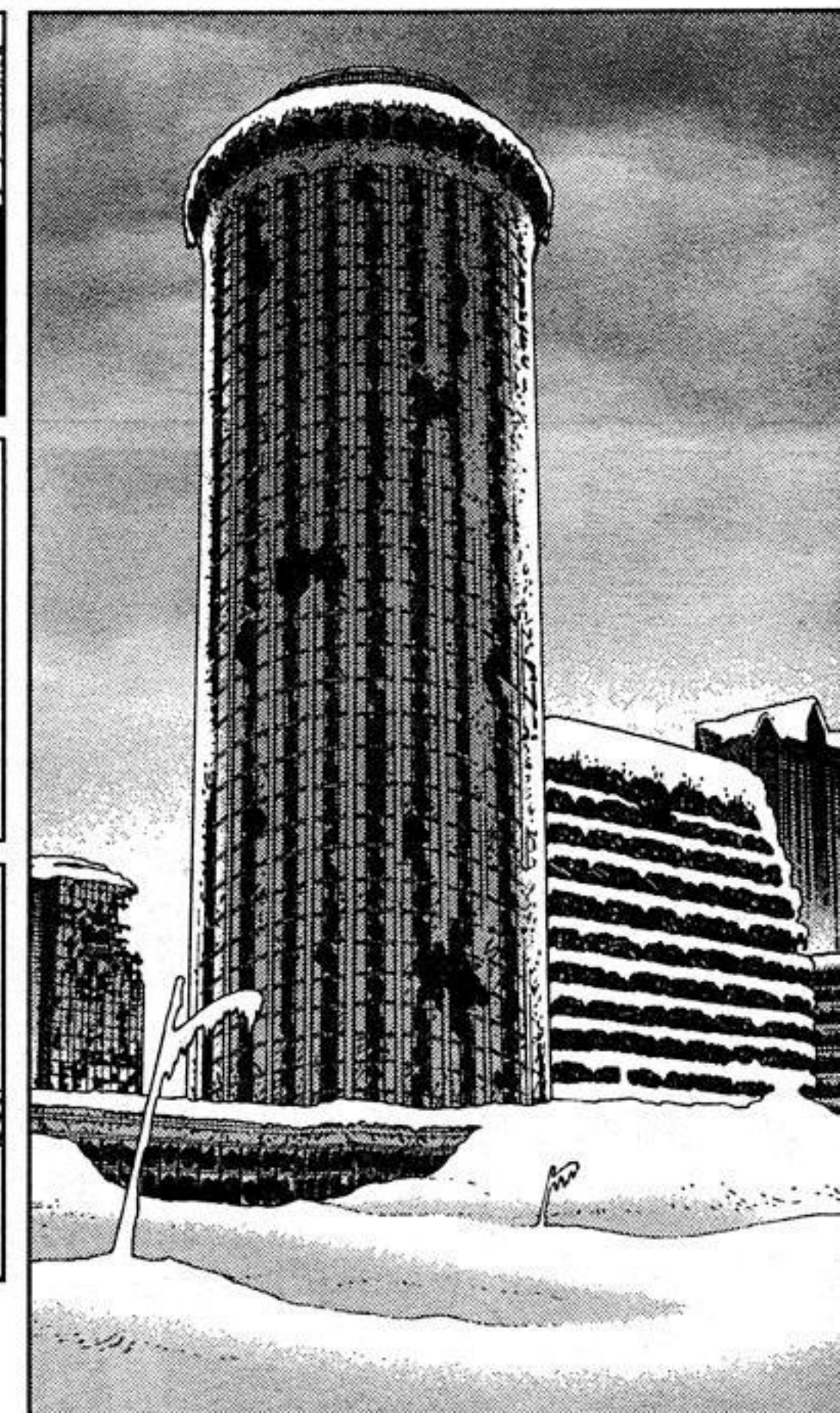

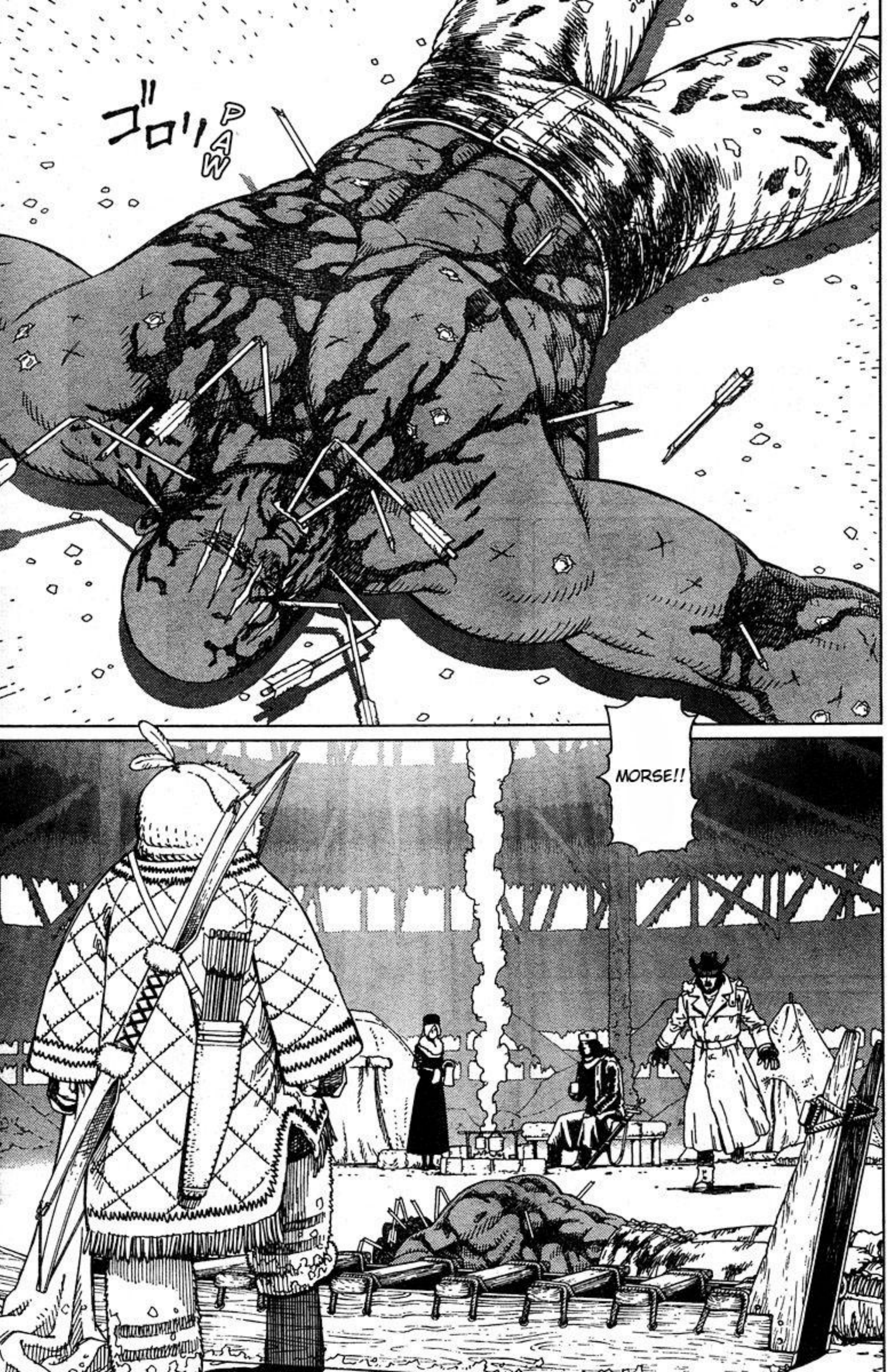
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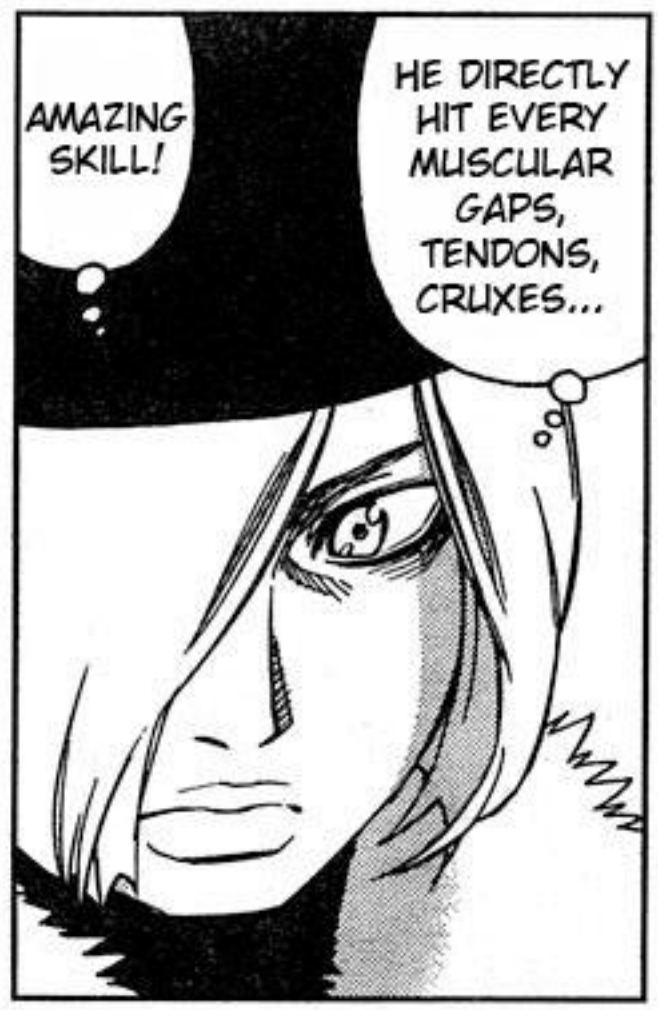
PAW
MORSE!!

BOY, YOU DID THIS ALONE?
EVEN BLIND, HE WAS REALLY STRONG...


AMAZING SKILL!
HE DIRECTLY HIT EVERY MUSCULAR GAPS, TENDONS, CRUXES...

THERE ISN'T EVEN A SINGLE WASTED SHOT...

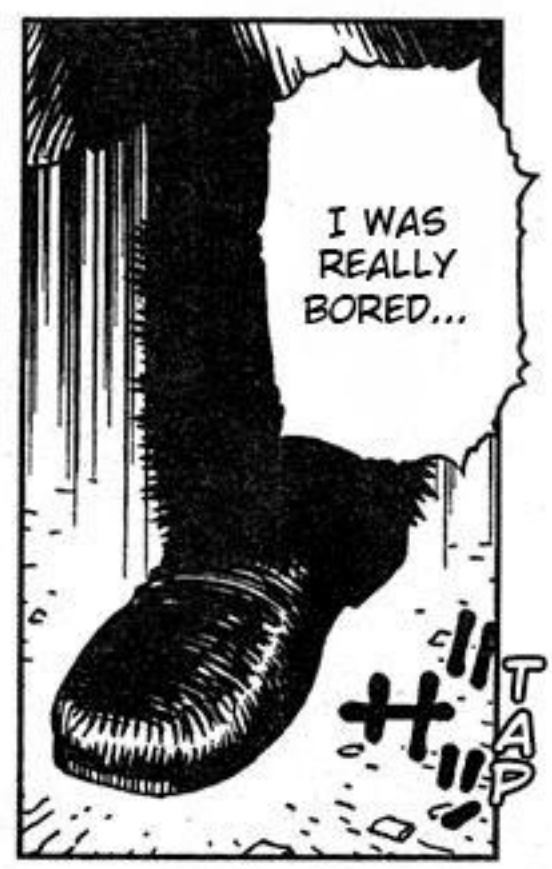
I HEARD YOU GUYS ARE IMMORTAL... BUT WITH MY ARROWS
IT'S THE SAME AS HUNTING WHITE BEARS.

YOU ARE THE CANNIBAL VAMPIRE, BYRON...

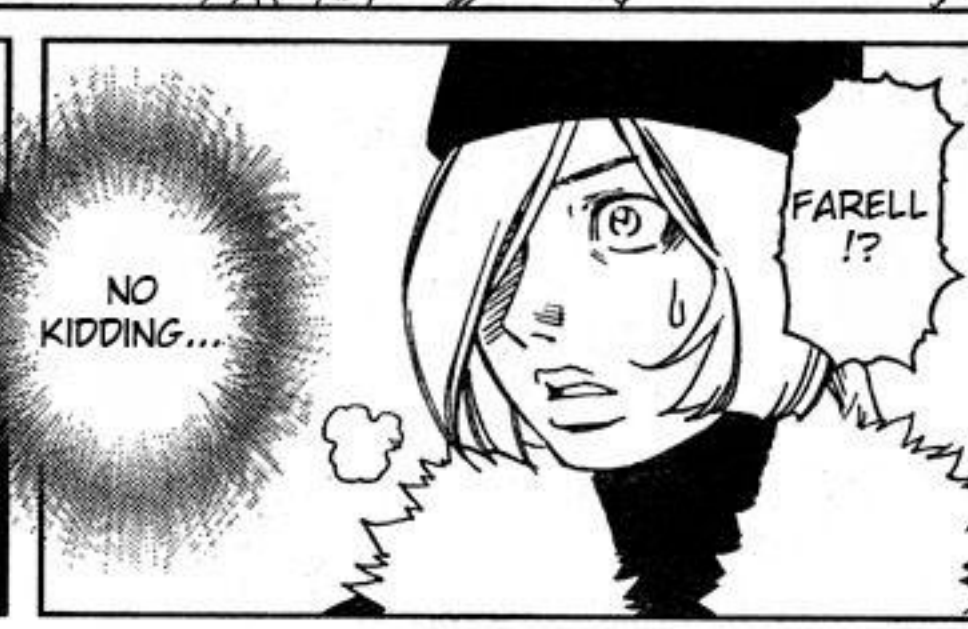
YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?
OH, BETTER STOP, DUDE...
DYNA-MITE!?
WE WILL EXPLODE TOGETHER!
I LIKE YOU, BOY!!
HUHA-HAHA
ズッ!!
POP

SFX: POP

AND I WILL ALLOW YOU TO INTRODUCE YOURSELF!!
SHOW ME YOUR FACE!


I WAS REALLY BORED...
TAP

I'M FROM "BLOODY SHELTER"!!
MY NAME IS ARTHUR FARELL.


NO KIDDING...
FARELL !?

TODAY, I JUST CAME TO GREET YOU AND TO SAY THAT

WE FROM "BLOODY SHELTER" WON'T TRY TO ESCAPE OR HIDE OURSELVES!!

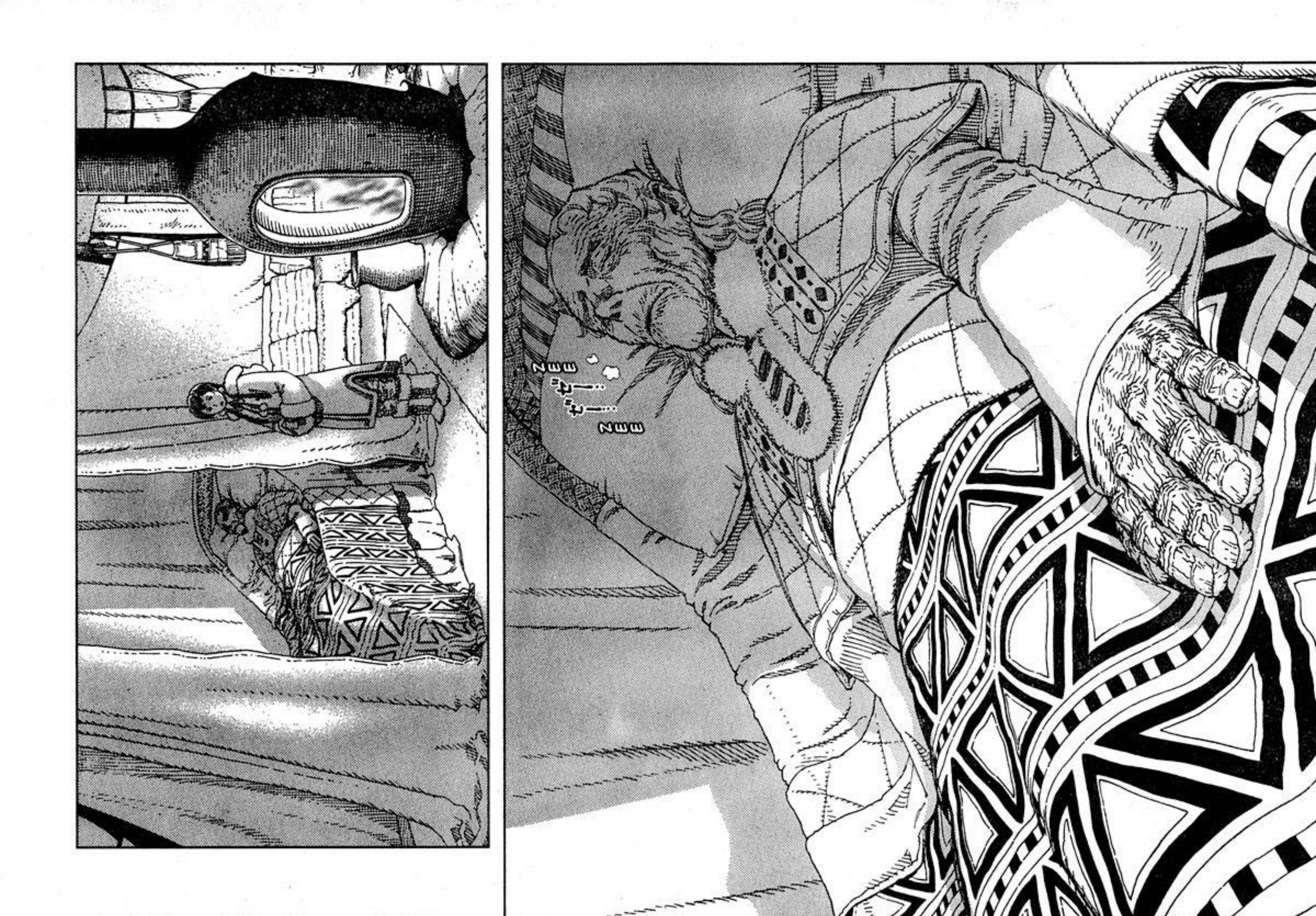
AND...

YES.

YOU ARE VILMA?

MY GRANDPA WANTS TO SEE YOU... SO WILL YOU COME WITH ME?

OF COURSE I ASSURE YOUR SAFETY.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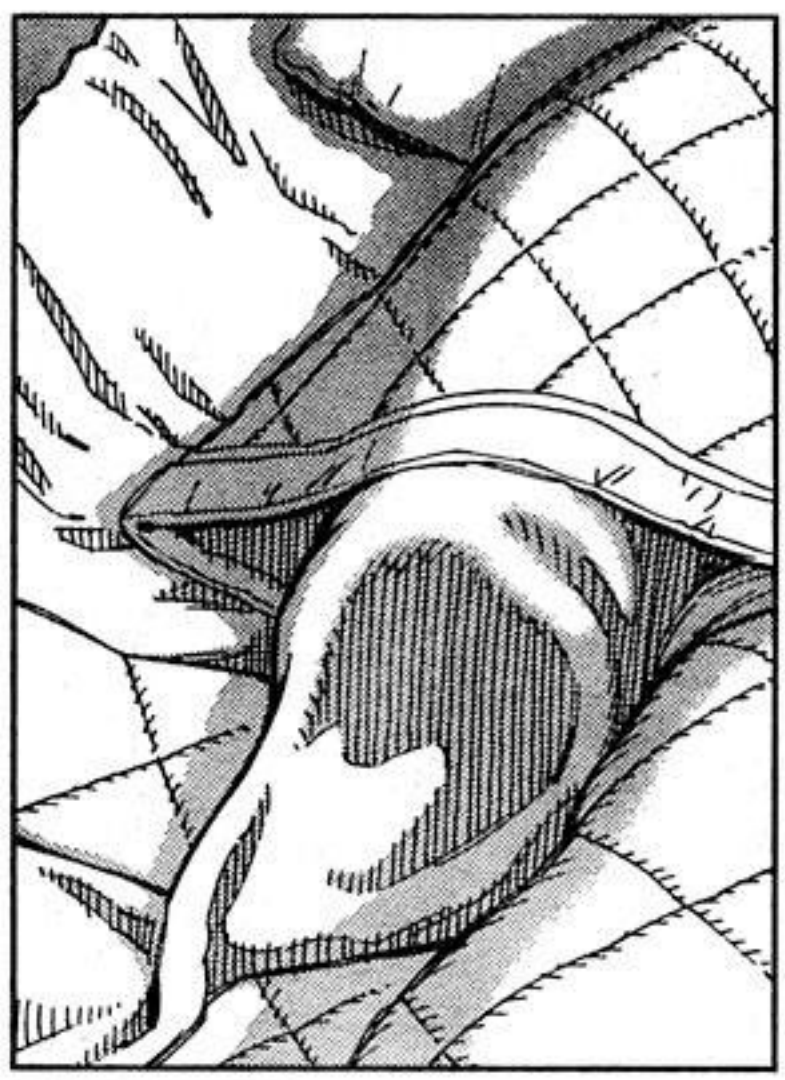
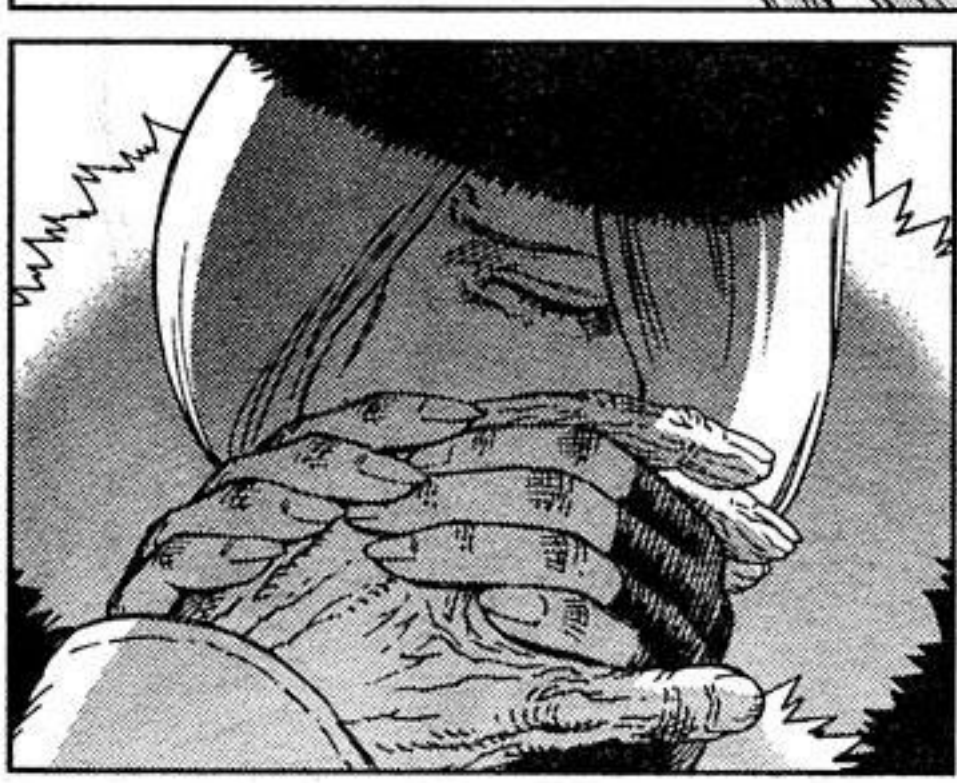


GRANDPA, I BROUGHT VILMA HERE.

JOHN...?
THEN, I JUST REALIZED THAT ALREADY 50 YEARS PASSED SINCE THAT DAY...



LMA...
VI...

I'M... SORRY...

YOU ARE STILL ALIVE...
YOU...

I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING...

VILMA...
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF MY GRANDSON AND MY PEOPLE...

SMILE
ニコ...

I'M HERE, GRANDPA.

A... ARTHUR..

THAT IS THE FINAL HOPE... OF HUMAN... CIVILIZATION...

AND RESTART "MAARIN"...
DO YOUR BEST EVERYONE...

HEY!!

GRAND-PA!

GRANDPA !?

SAME AS 50 YEARS AGO... THE PAINFUL CHOICE BETWEEN "COEXISTENCE AND DYING OUT"...

BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, IT PULLED ME BACK FROM A SWEET DREAM TO SEVERE REALITY.

MEETING JOHN RELEASED ME FROM THE PRESSURE IN MY CHEST...

HE WAS HAPPY BECAUSE IN THE END HE COULD SEE THE PERSON HE WANTED TO SEE THE MOST.

ARE YOU ON OUR SIDE OR...

SO... WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?

HE IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT THAN JOHN.

IMPUDENT KID...

HUH...

WELL, I ALREADY KILLED ONE FROM YOUR SIDE SOOOOO...

I'M COMPLETELY OK WITH WAR!!

BUT THIS WILL PROBABLY BE THE LAST CHANCE.

COEXISTENCE BETWEEN HUMANS AND COGNITES... IF WE DON'T SUCCEED, IT WILL JUST BE SLAUGHTER AND A CERTAIN END.

EVEN IF THEY DIDN'T BETRAY US, HE WOULD'VE SLAUGHTERED THEM ANYWAY...

WHAT WAS HORRIBLE ABOUT FARRELL'S SHELTER WAS THAT VICTOR WAS PRETENDING THAT HE ACCEPTS MY PROPOSAL...

NOT THEIR BETRAYING...

I FAILED ONCE... WHAT SHOULD I DO...

IF I TRY TO CONVINCE HIM ONE MORE TIME...I WONDER IF I COULD SUCCEED IN MAKING HIM UNDERSTAND...

!

I CAN'T SEE A WATCHMAN, OTTEY.

UH...? IT'S WEIRD...

AND YOU ARE PLANNING ON MAKING A TRAP?
I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOU SO I CAME HERE

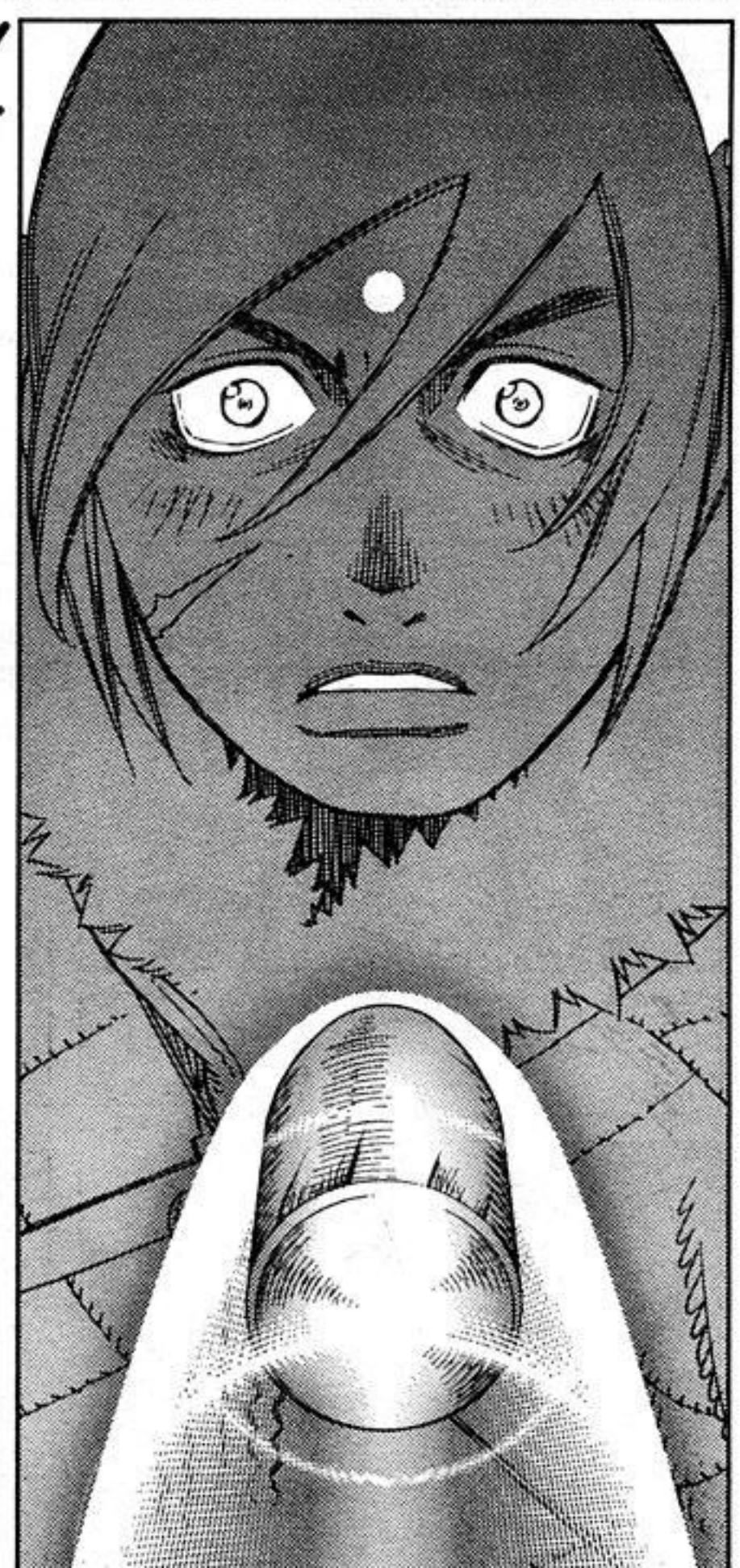
DOSA

OTTEY!!

COME OOOON
ZACK

BLAM
DIE, KID

PANG



PIIIIN

AMAZING...! SUPERNATURAL!!
SHE REPELLED THE BULLET...!?

YOU WANT VICTOR TO KILL YOU!?
NO WAY

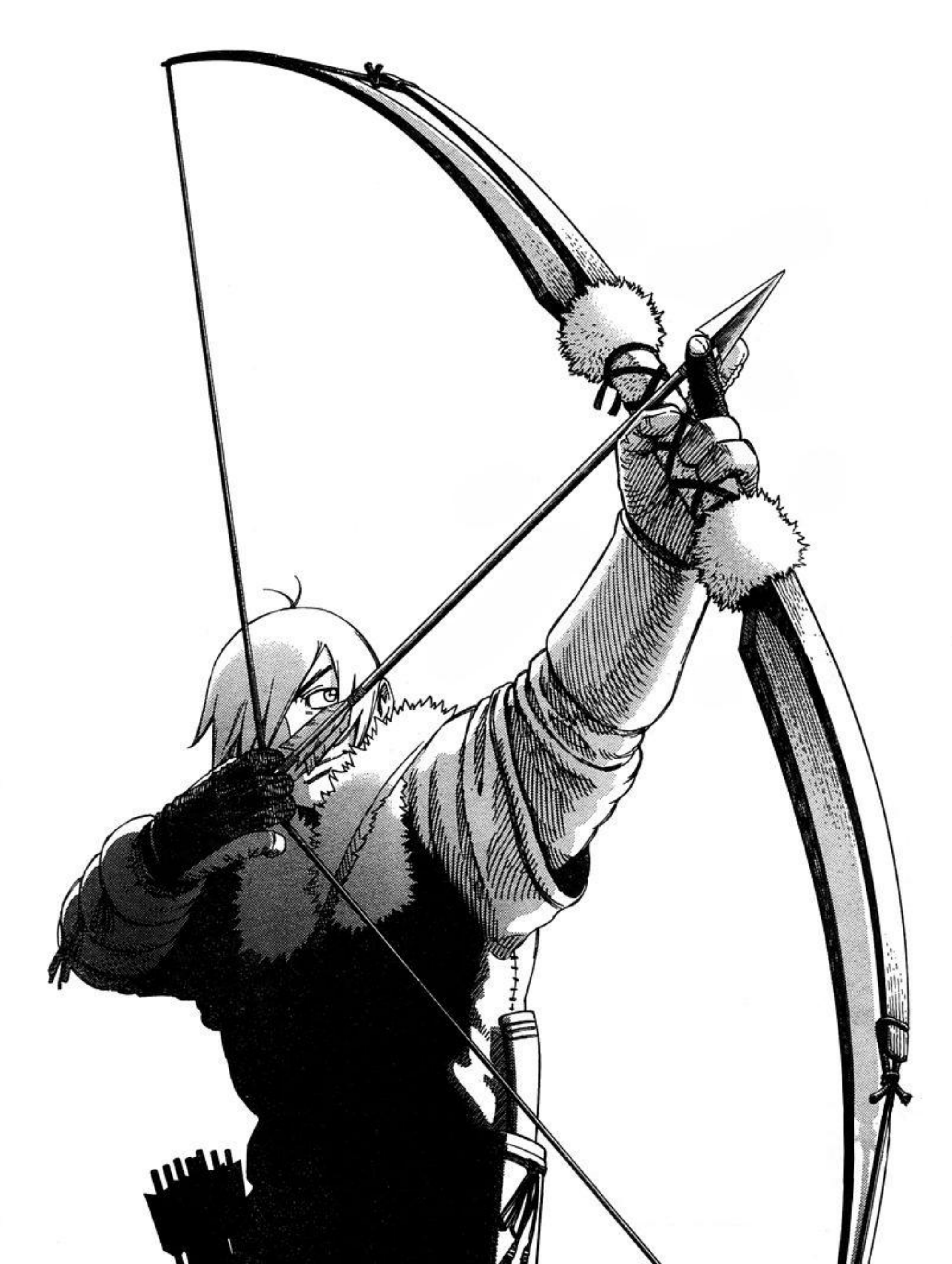
THEN FINE...

WHY WON'T YOU BE MINE?
VILMA

AND I'LL FUCK YOU AFTER YOU DIIIIIE!! GYAHA-HAHA!!

I'LL FUCKIN' KILL YOU TRAITOR!!

PHASE 49: TRAGEDY



NEED-LESS TO SAY--

SWORD VS. GUN

SWORD HAS FAR MORE RISK.

ENEMY'S "ANGER" COMES WITH A BULLET...

IT'S TOO LATE WHEN YOU LOOK AT BULLETS AND THEN MAKE SOME ACTIONS.

SO I JUST SENSE IT AND PUT A SWORD IN THE BULLET'S PATH AND REPEL THE BULLETS.

I CAN'T EXPLAIN IN A SCIENTIFIC WAY, BUT THERE IS A HEIGHTENED CONSCIOUSNESS WHEN SHOOTING...

AND CONTINUALLY SHOOTING AT FULL SPEED... IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO GUARD AGAINST IT ALL.

BUT JACCO IS A PROFES-SIONAL... HE SHOOTS FEINT SHOTS WITH DEATH SHOTS.

THE SMALLEST REACTION OF FEAR OR HESITATION CAN BE DEADLY...
JUST GUARD CRITICAL POINTS AND CLOSE UP TO THE ENEMY AT RISK.
10 STEPS FOR HAND-GUNS
THE DISTANCE THAT I HAVE CONFIDENCE TO COUNTER-ATTACK AGAINST A GUNMAN IS 5 STEPS FOR RIFLES
FROM MY EX-PERI-ENCE

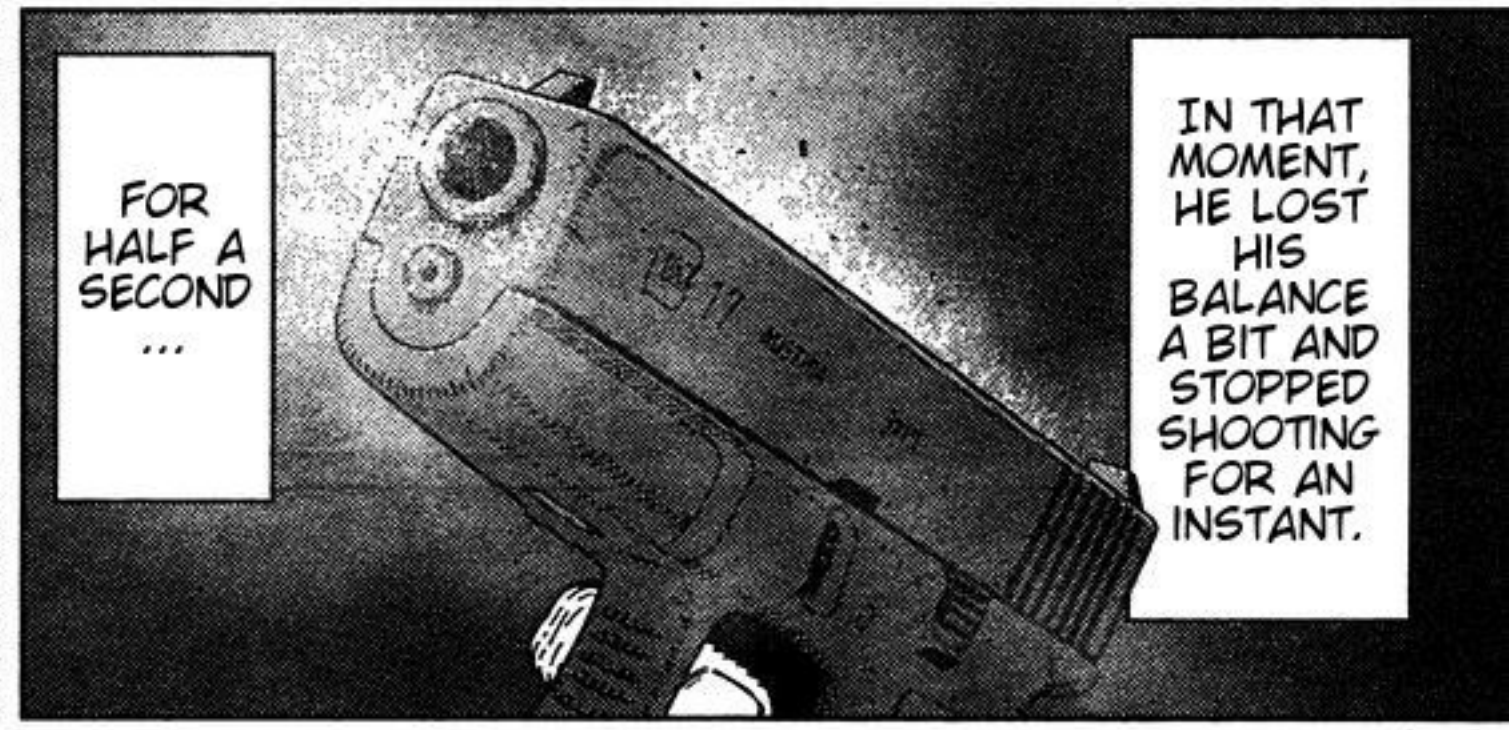
I CAN'T COME CLOSE TO HIM!!

2 MORE STEPS!!

I CAN'T!!

DEFEND ...

ZAK



KLANG

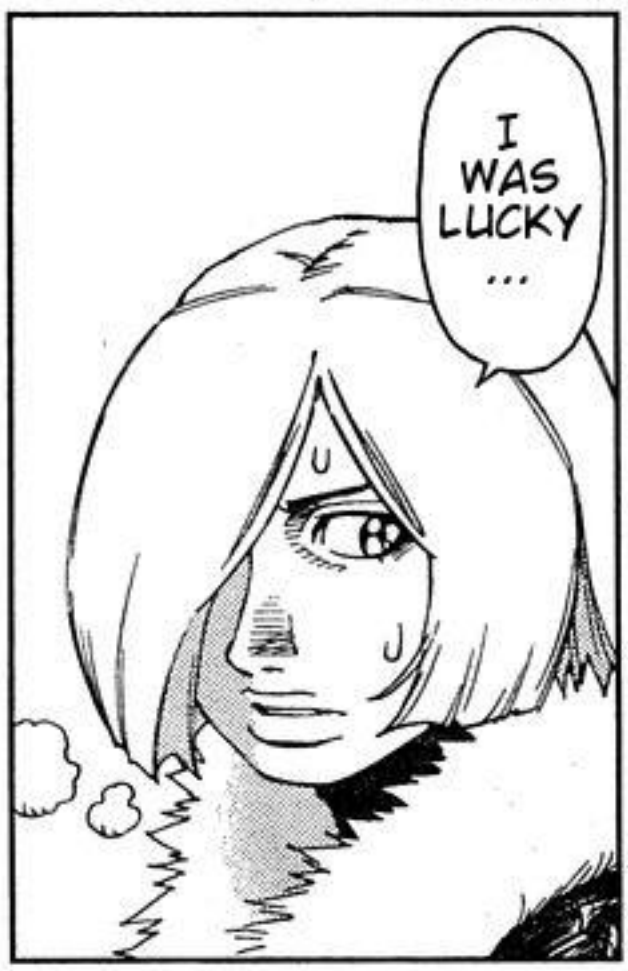
FLIP

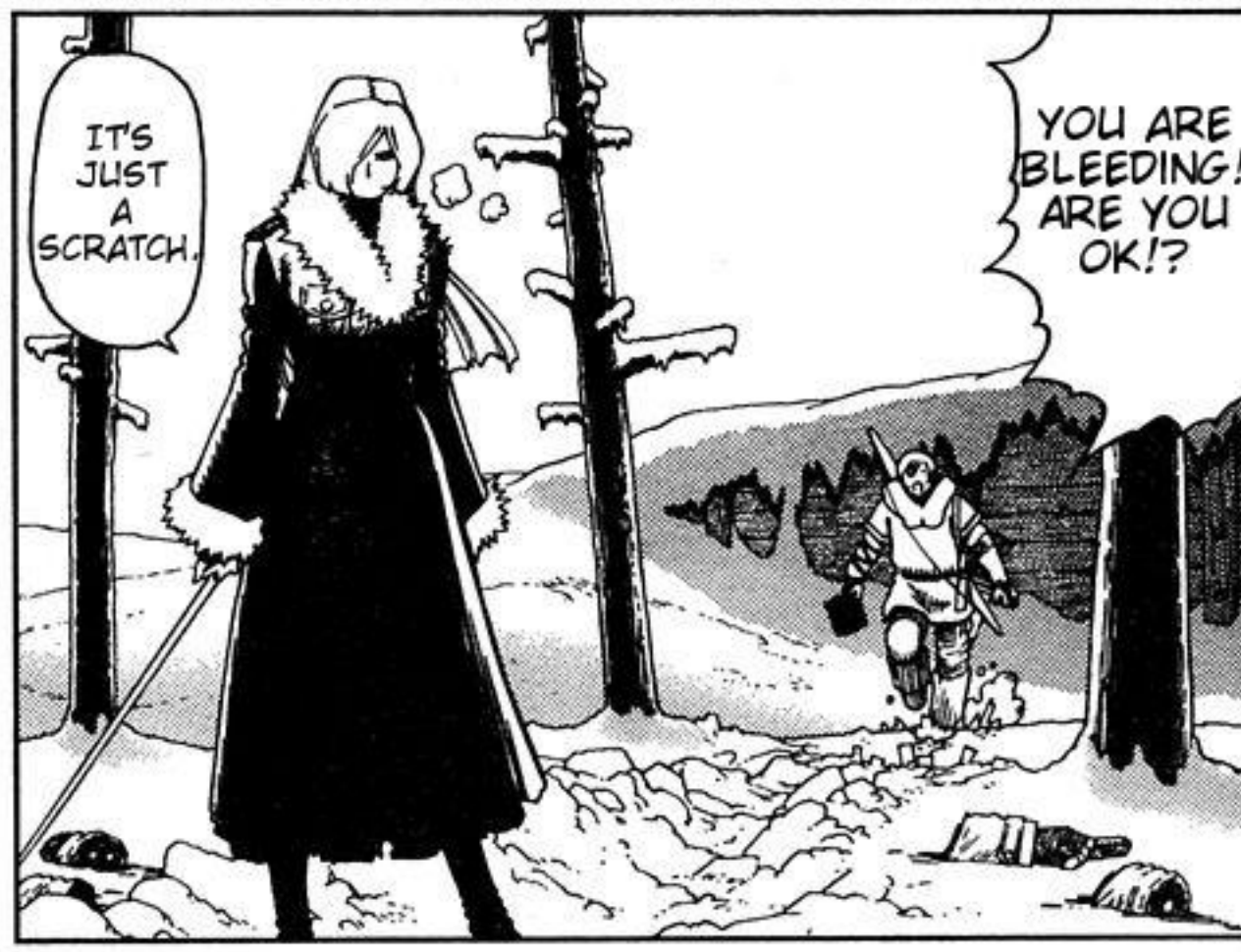
ZIP
ZIP
ZAT
ZAT
HACK
ZAK

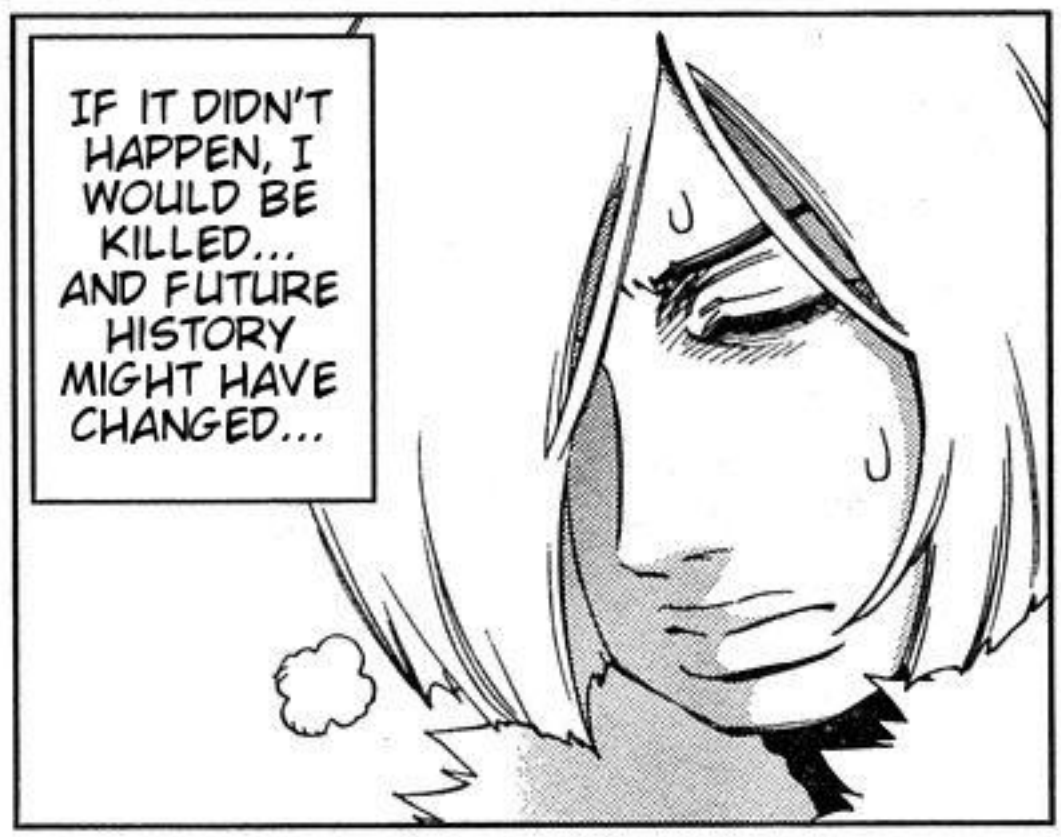
CRASH

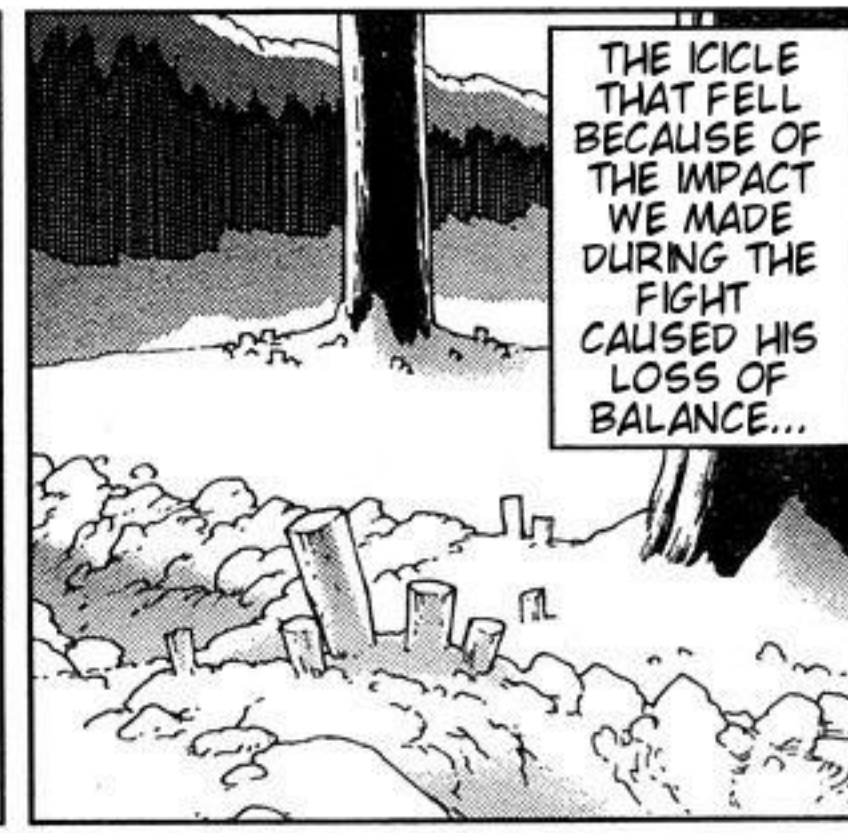
I DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TO SUPPORT YOU WITH ARROWS!!

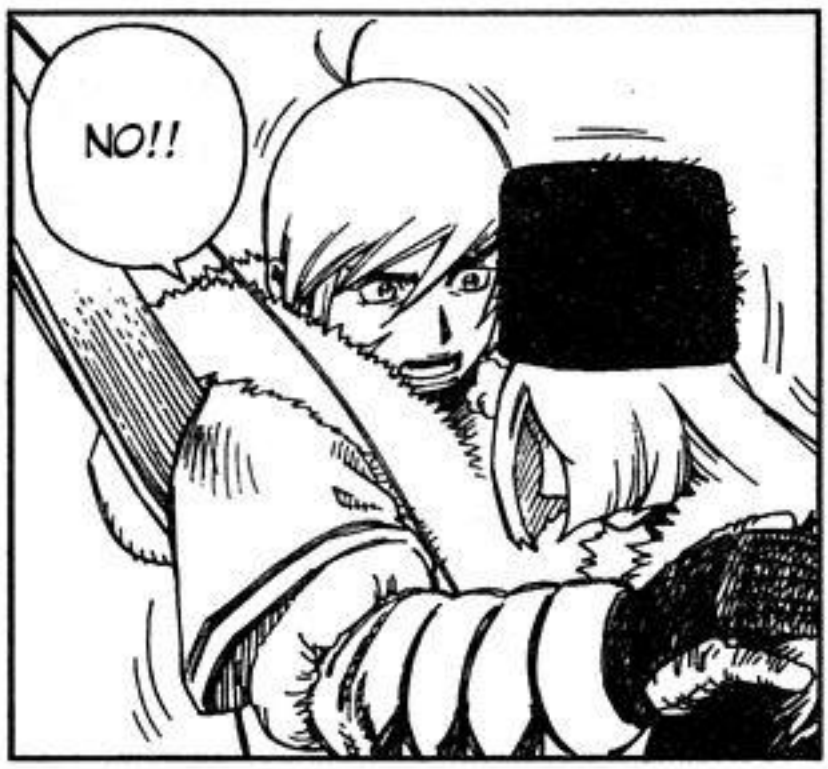
WOW ...



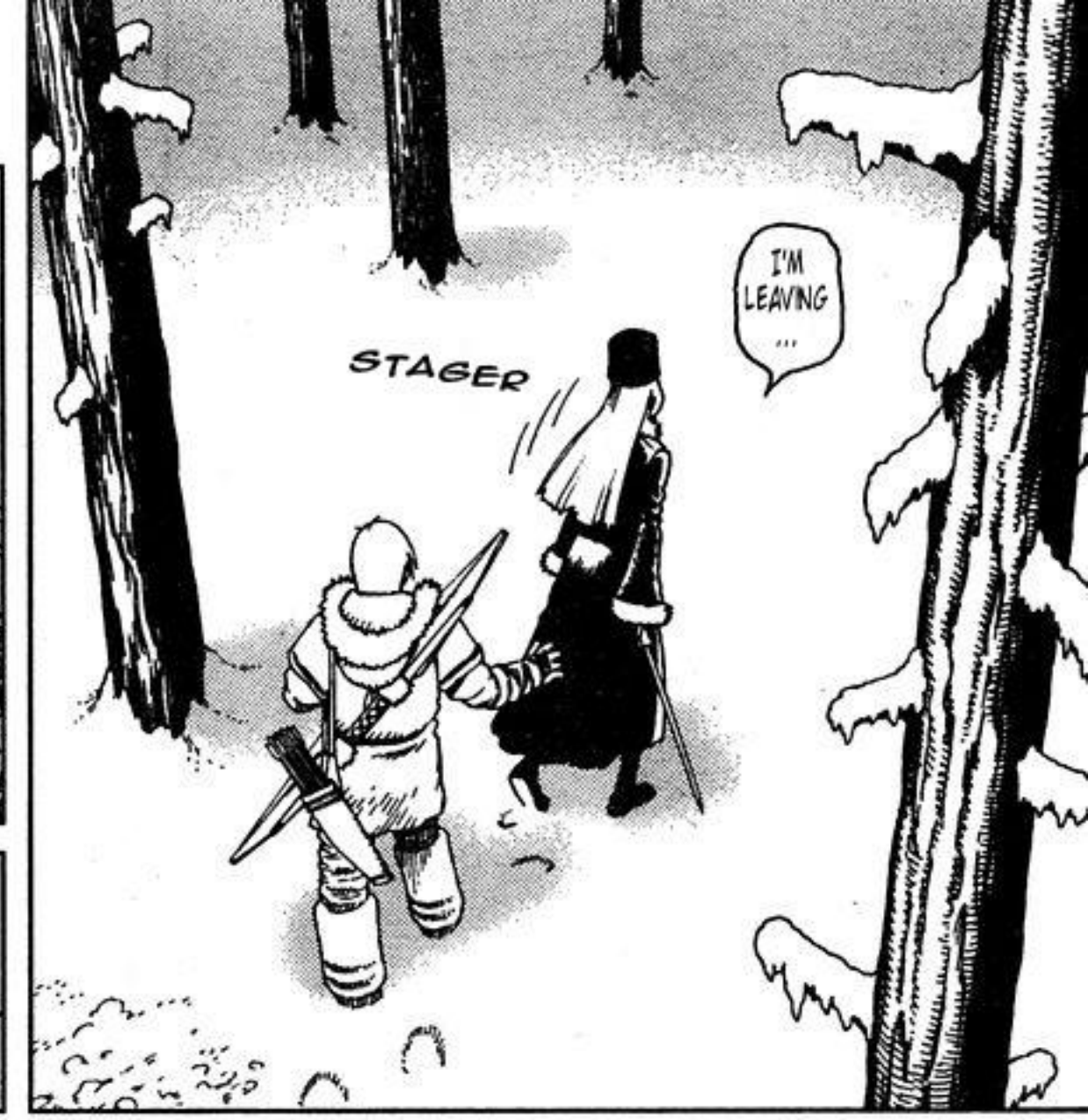







NO!!

VICTOR IS WAITING ...
LET ME.

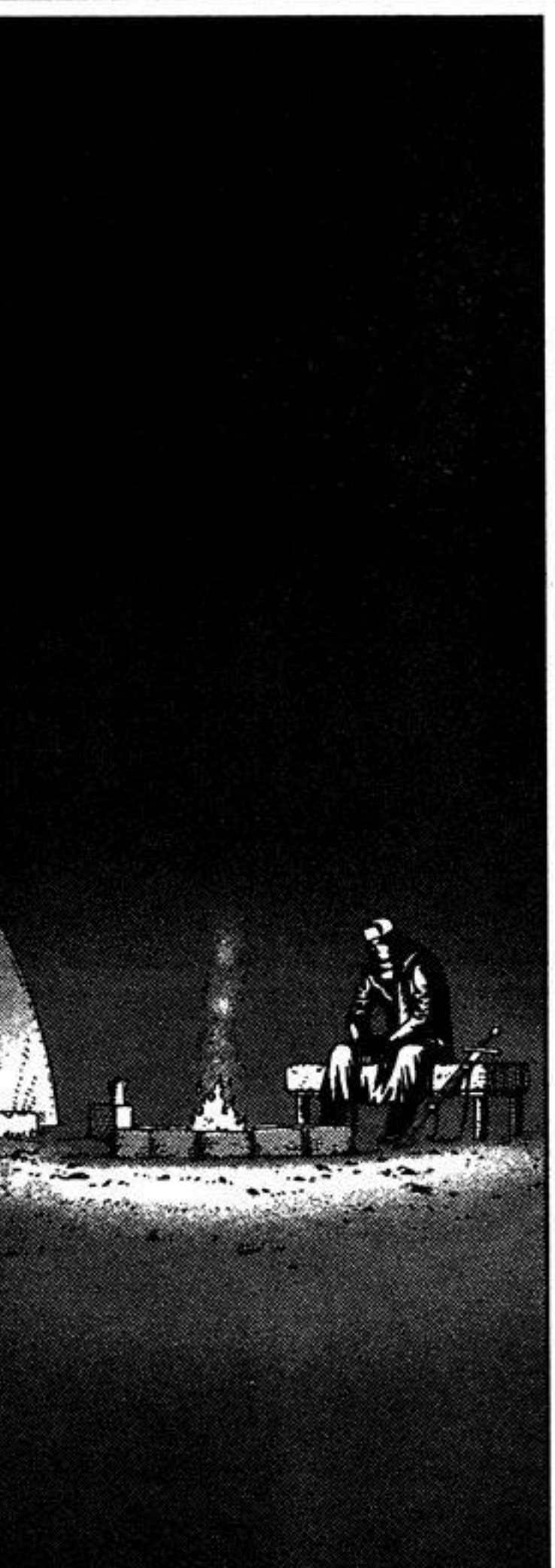

STAGER
I'M LEAVING ...

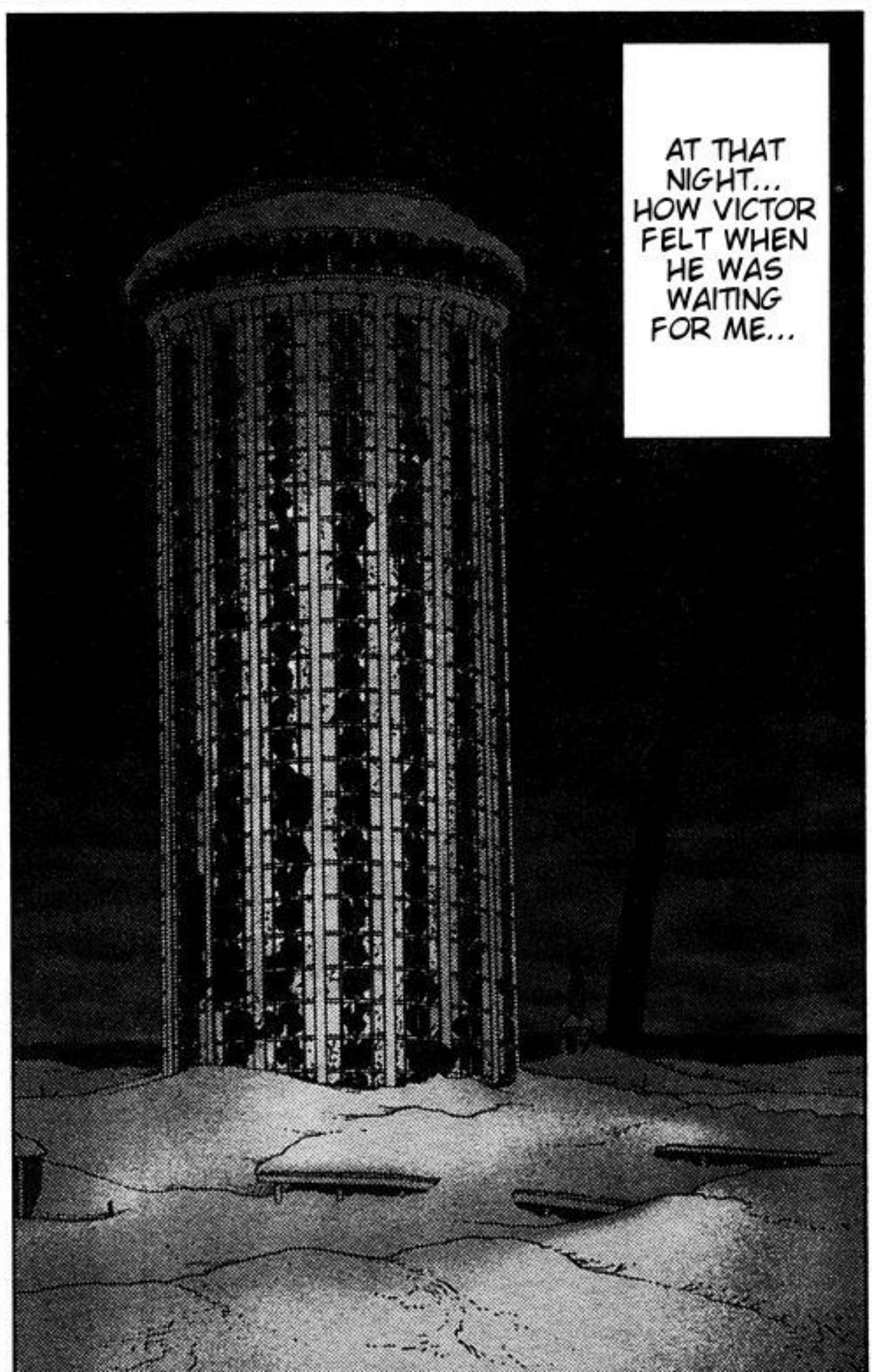
HE WILL KILL YOU!!
YOU KILLED YOUR FRIEND AND WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO SAY ABOUT THAT TO HIM!?

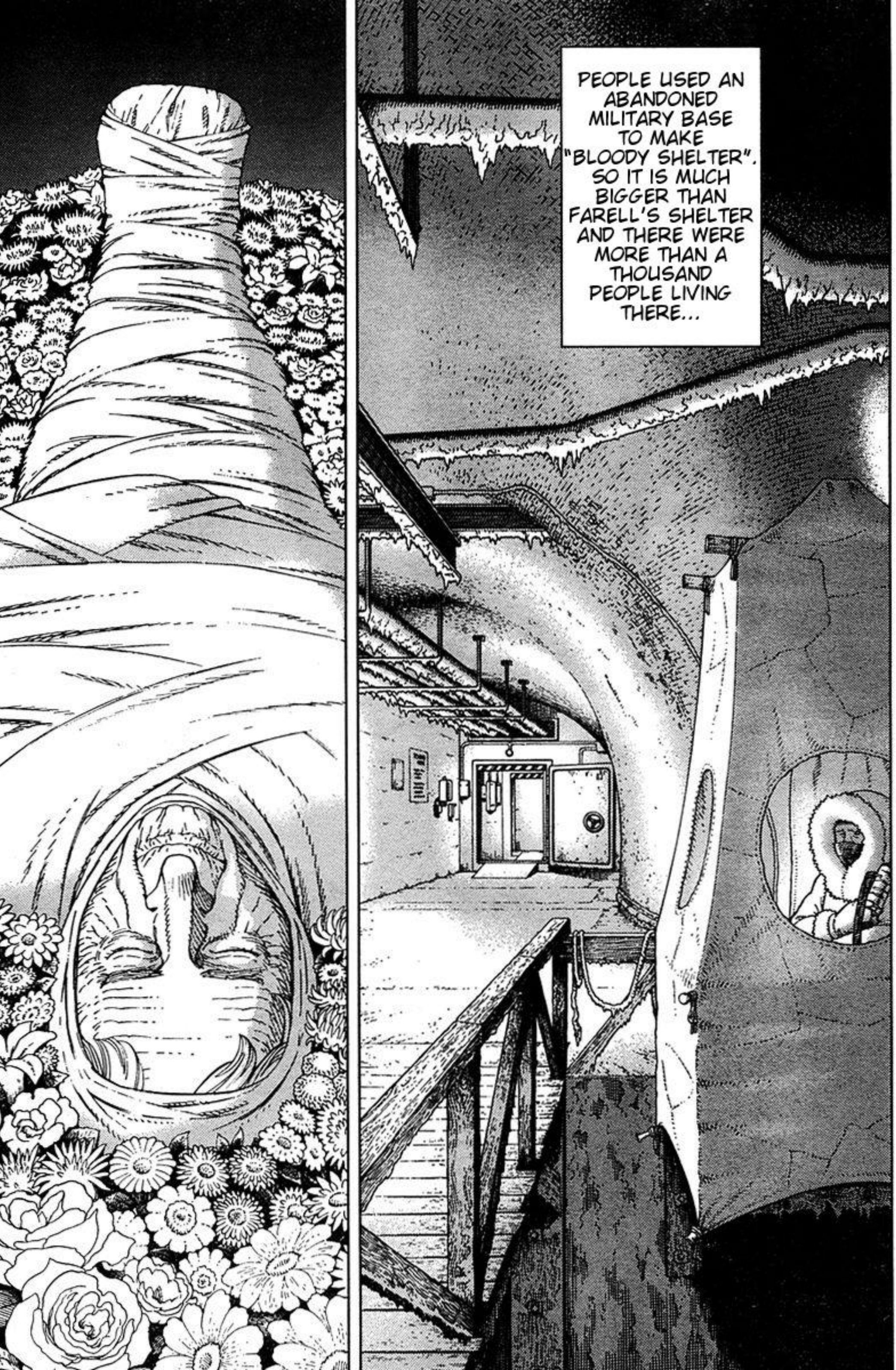
I FEEL THE SAME!
SO I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU!!
IF I LET YOU GO NOW, WE WILL NEVER MEET AGAIN...

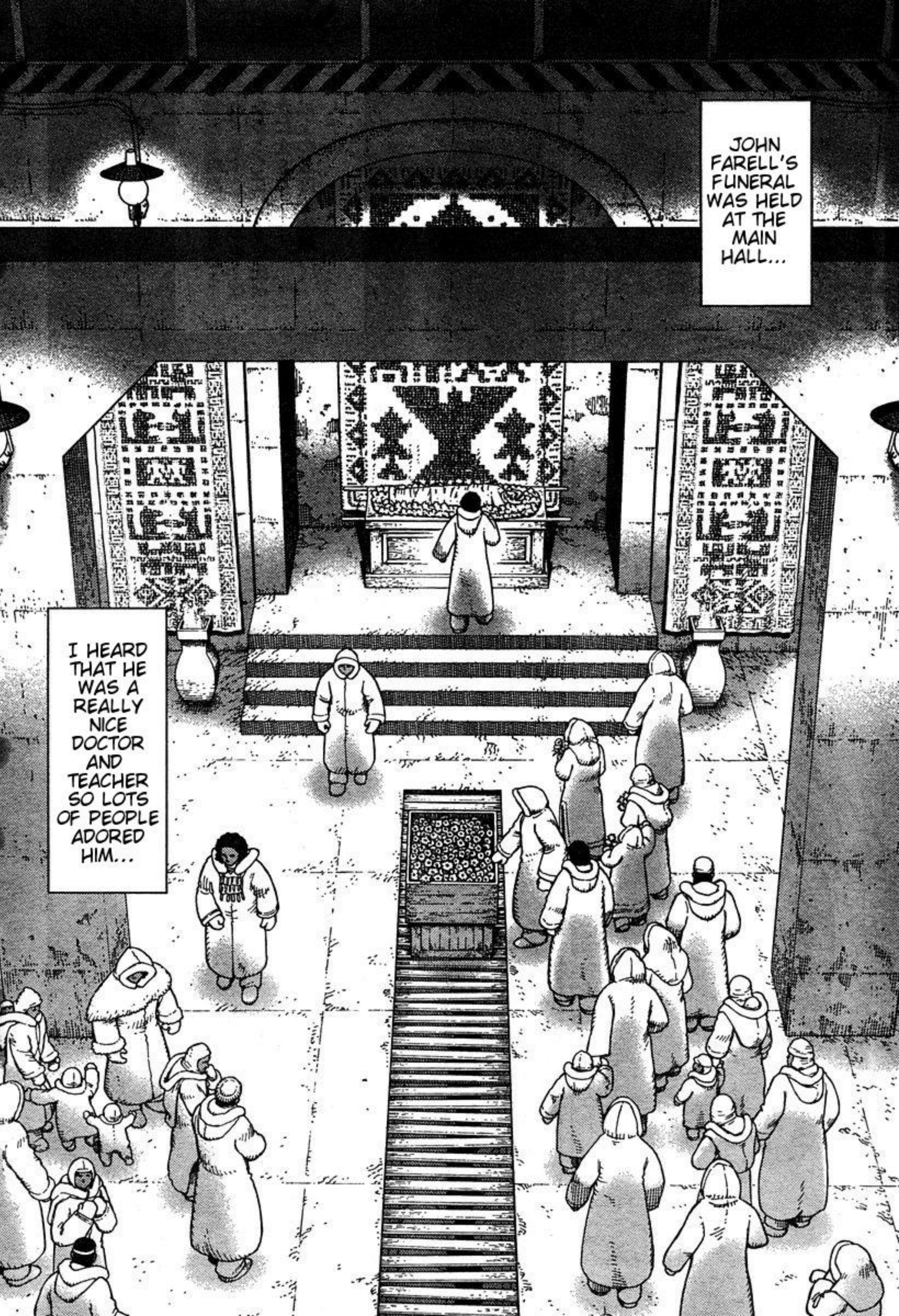
IF I DID THAT... ANOTHER TRAGEDY MIGHT NOT HAVE HAPPENED...

THIS TIME, I SHOULD HAVE LEFT HERE AND GO BACK TO VICTOR NO MATTER WHAT...






PEOPLE USED AN ABANDONED MILITARY BASE TO MAKE "BLOODY SHELTER". SO IT IS MUCH BIGGER THAN FARELL'S SHELTER AND THERE WERE MORE THAN A THOUSAND PEOPLE LIVING THERE...


JOHN FARELL'S FUNERAL WAS HELD AT THE MAIN HALL...
I HEARD THAT HE WAS A REALLY NICE DOCTOR AND TEACHER SO LOTS OF PEOPLE ADORED HIM...

IT LOOKS LIKE THIS KID DOESN'T HAVE SENSE FOR MUSIC AT ALL...
ふぁーん
YAWN
THE SWEET TONE OF A FLUTE MADE ME FORGOT THE ANXIETY ABOUT THE FUTURE SO I ENJOYED REMINISCING ON JOHN...
FIANCEE OF ARTHUR, HARUKA PLAYED A MELAN-CHOLIC SONG WITH A FLUTE...

THE LEGENDARY VAMPIRE ?

OHH

NO, THAT IS ...

OUTSIDER ?

VILMA

WHO BROUGHT THIS WOMAN HERE...!?

STOP!!

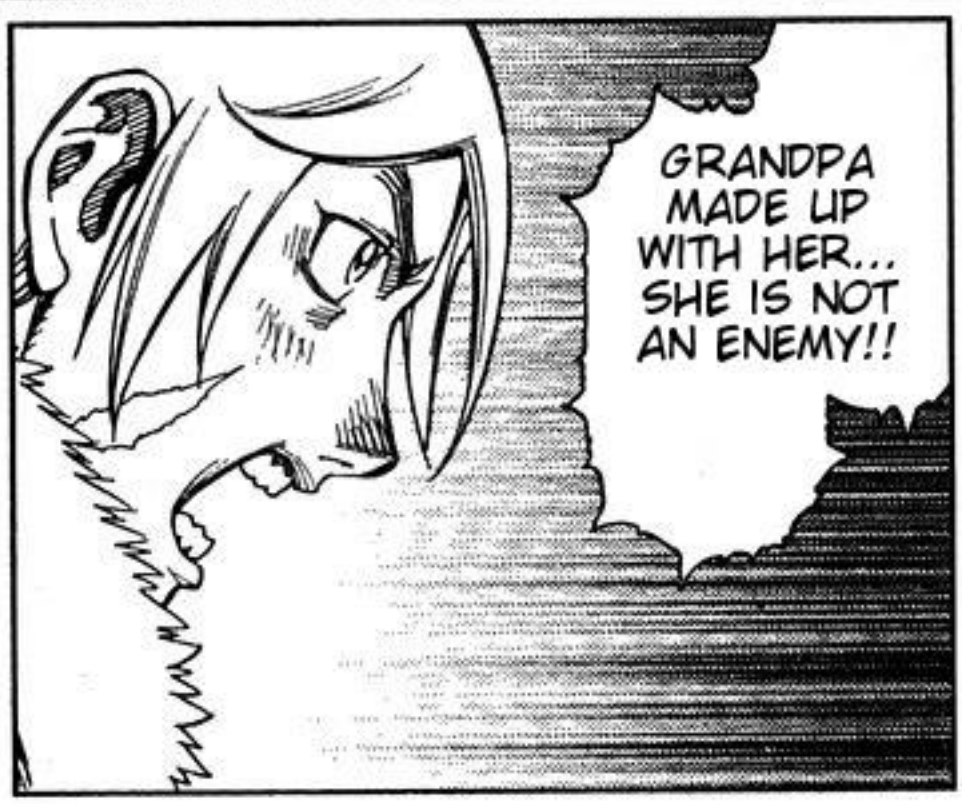
THIS GUY IS THE LEADER OF "BLOODY SHELTER", MARCUS.

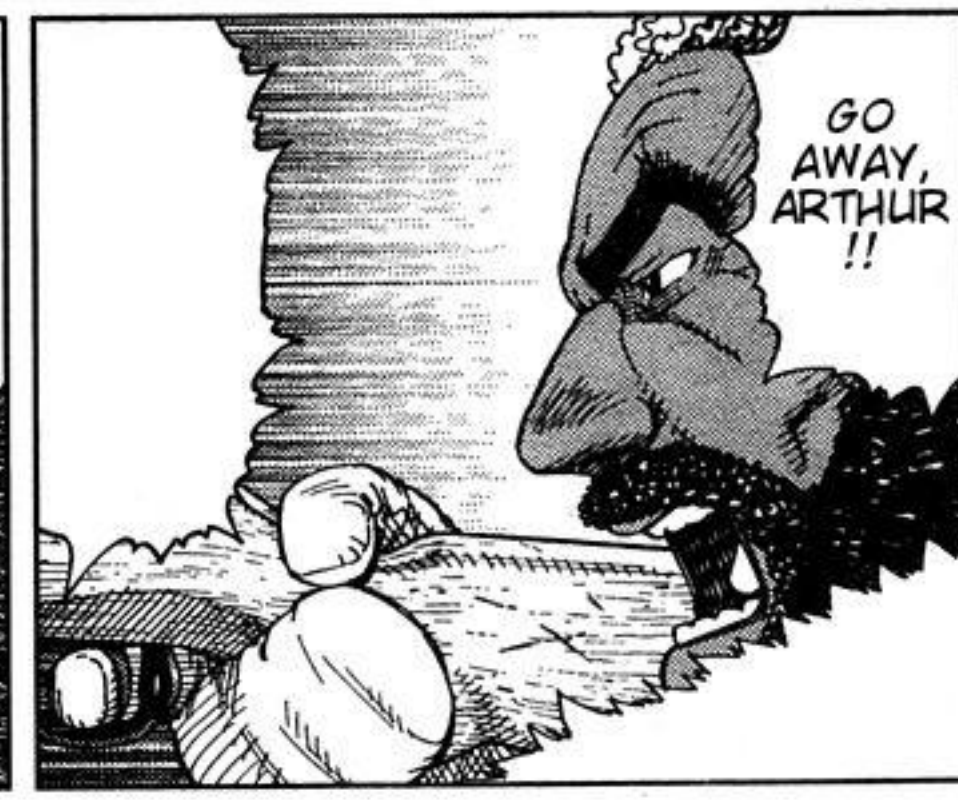
DAMN VAMPIRE ...!!

SHE EVEN KILLED HER FRIEND TO SAVE ME...

YOU ALREADY HEARD THE REPORT!?

VILMA IS MY FRIEND!





MAR-CUS.
MMM ...

PLEASE STOP IT!!
THIS IS PROFES-SOR JOHN'S FUNERAL!!

VAMPIRE, VAMPIRE ... YOU COWARD ...
ARE YOU AFRAID OF THEM SO MUCH!?
ZIP

SO BITE ME, VILMA!!
I WILL BECOME A VAMPIRE AND PROVE TO YOU THAT THEY ARE NOT DIFFERENT!!

FLAP

YOU SHOULD THINK MORE OF WHAT YOU ARE DOING.

COGNITES CALL IT "ALTERED SHOCK". CHILDREN, OLD PEOPLE THAT DON'T HAVE THE STRENGTH DIE 100% OF THE TIME... EVEN A HEALTHY YOUTH'S PROBABILITY OF SURVIVAL IS ONLY 1%!!

WHEN YOU GET INFECTED WITH THE V-VIRUS, YOU HAVE TO SUFFER FROM PANGS AND HALLU-CINATIONS FOR 3 DAYS AND 3 NIGHTS ...

!?

SWACK!

SO HURRY PLEASE!!

ONE OUT OF A HUNDRED ... DON'T WORRY! I WON'T DIE!

!!

YOU WILL ALSO LOSE YOUR REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM SO YOU WILL NEVER HAVE A BABY...

PANG
IDIOT!
PANG
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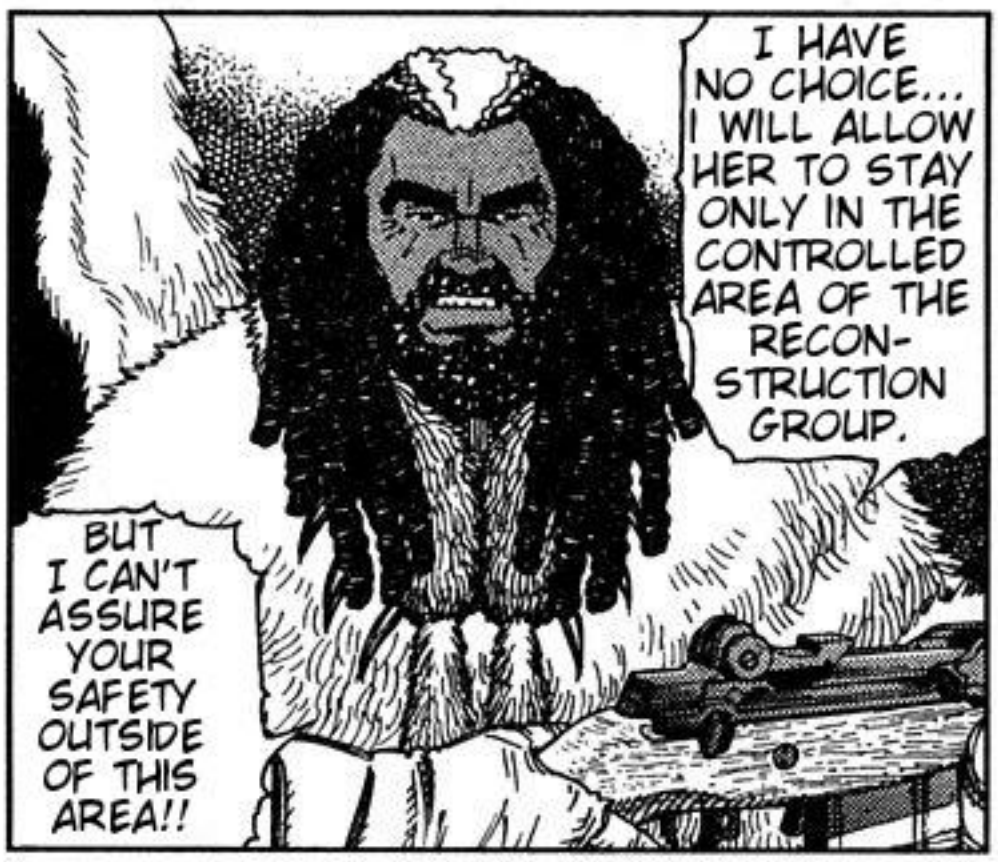
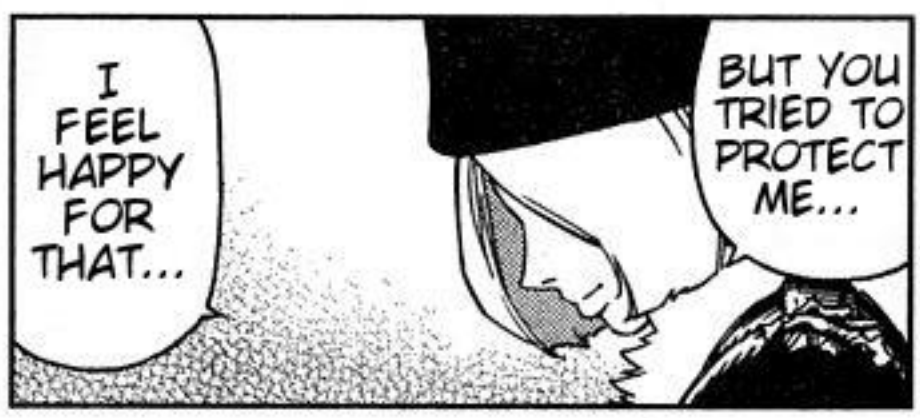
IDIOT!
PANG
ARTHUR YOU IDIOT!
PANG





ACTUALLY I DON'T KNOW IT WELL, BUT...

IT'S LIKE A "MIRROR" THAT SHOWS PEOPLE'S HOPES AND FEARS...

I WANTED IT WHEN PROFESSOR JOHN WAS STILL ALIVE...

SO HE SAID THE WEDDING WILL BE AFTER THE WORK COMES TO THE END OF THE FIRST STAGE...

WHAT IS THAT?

"MAARIN" ... JOHN ALSO TALKED ABOUT THAT...

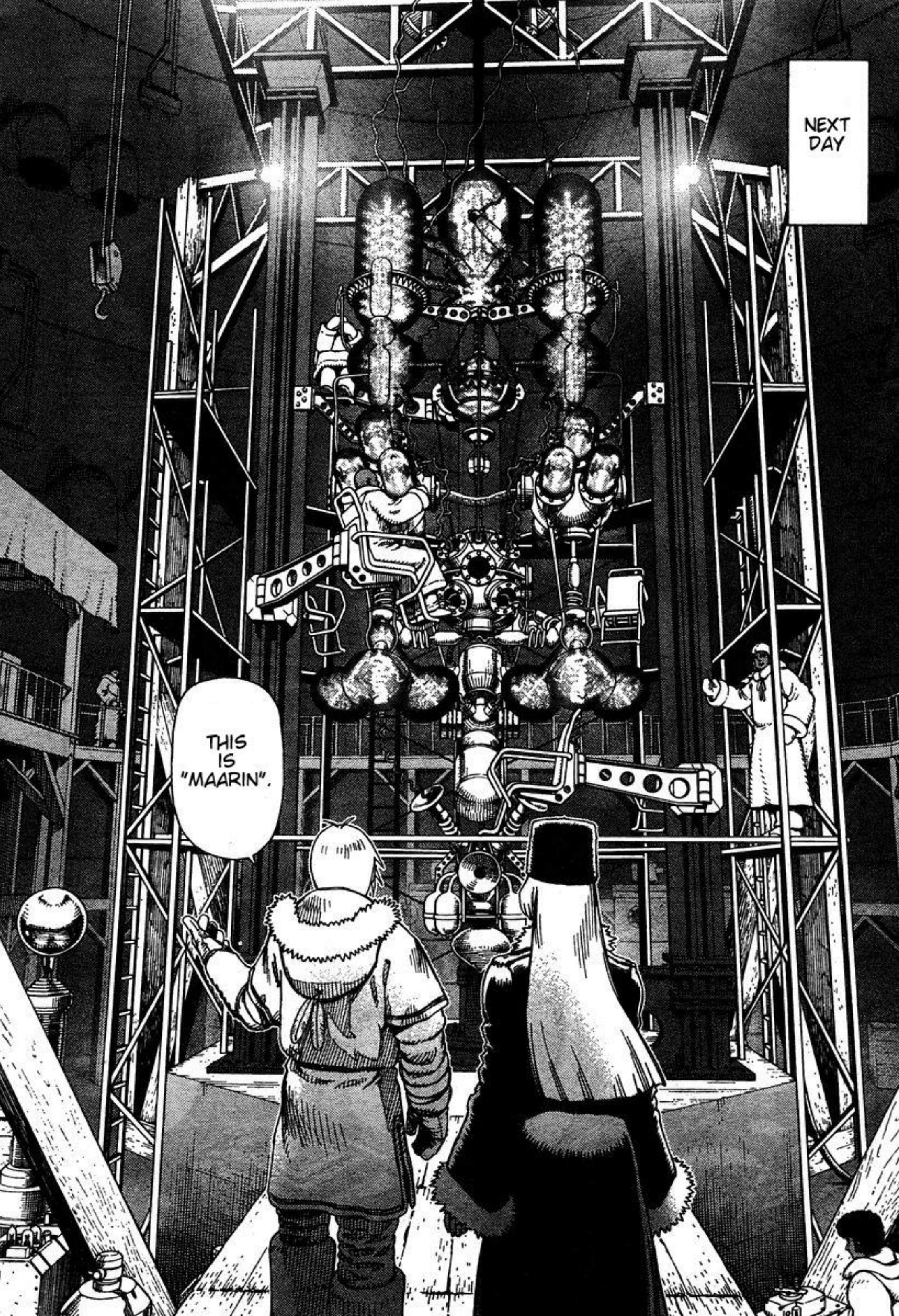
YOU HAVE SEEN THE REAL "MOON", RIGHT!?

FOP

BY THE WAY, VILMA!

MIRROR ??

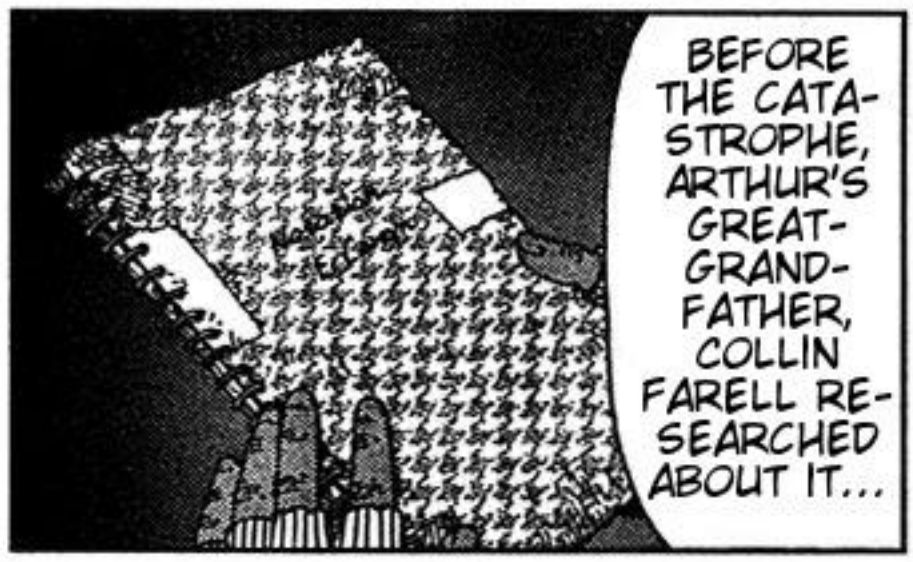
PLEASE TELL ME ABOUT THE "STARRY SKY" AND "SPRING"!! I'VE ONLY READ ABOUT IT IN BOOKS!!

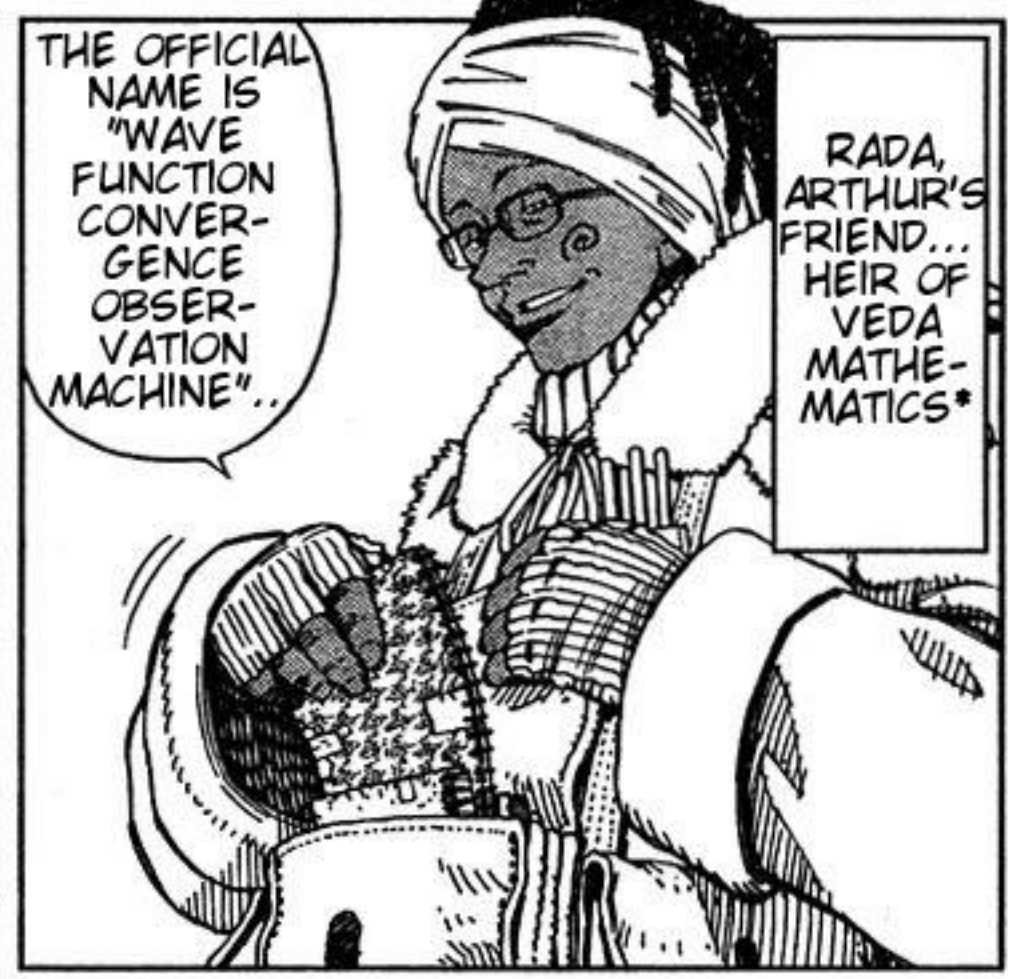

NEXT DAY
THIS IS "MAARIN".

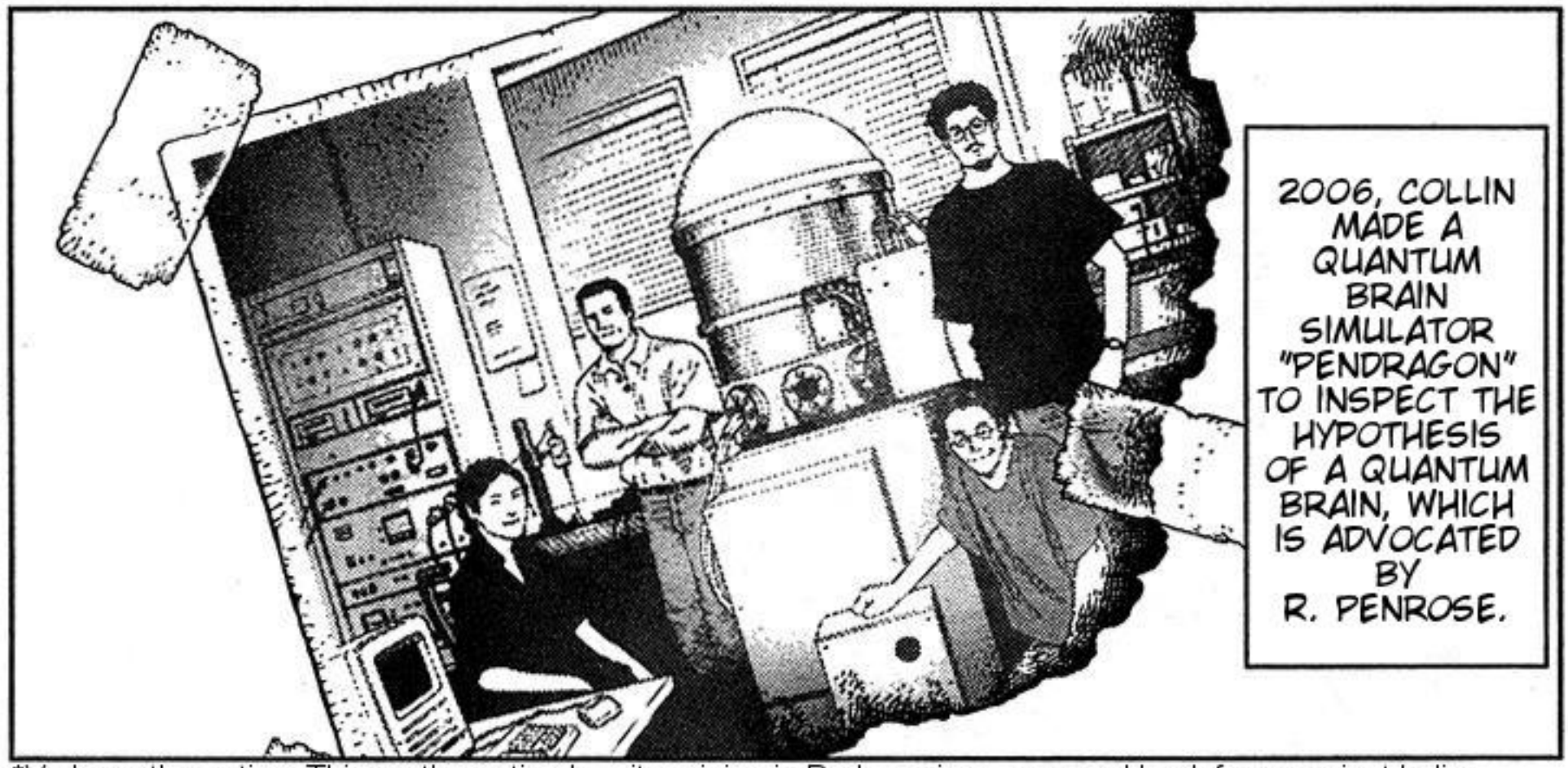
RADA CAN EXPLAIN MAARIN ITSELF BETTER THAN I CAN...

NOW WE HAVE A FUSS WITH A CONSERVATIVE GROUP LIKE MARCUS BECAUSE THEY CAN'T UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF RECON-STRUCTING IT...

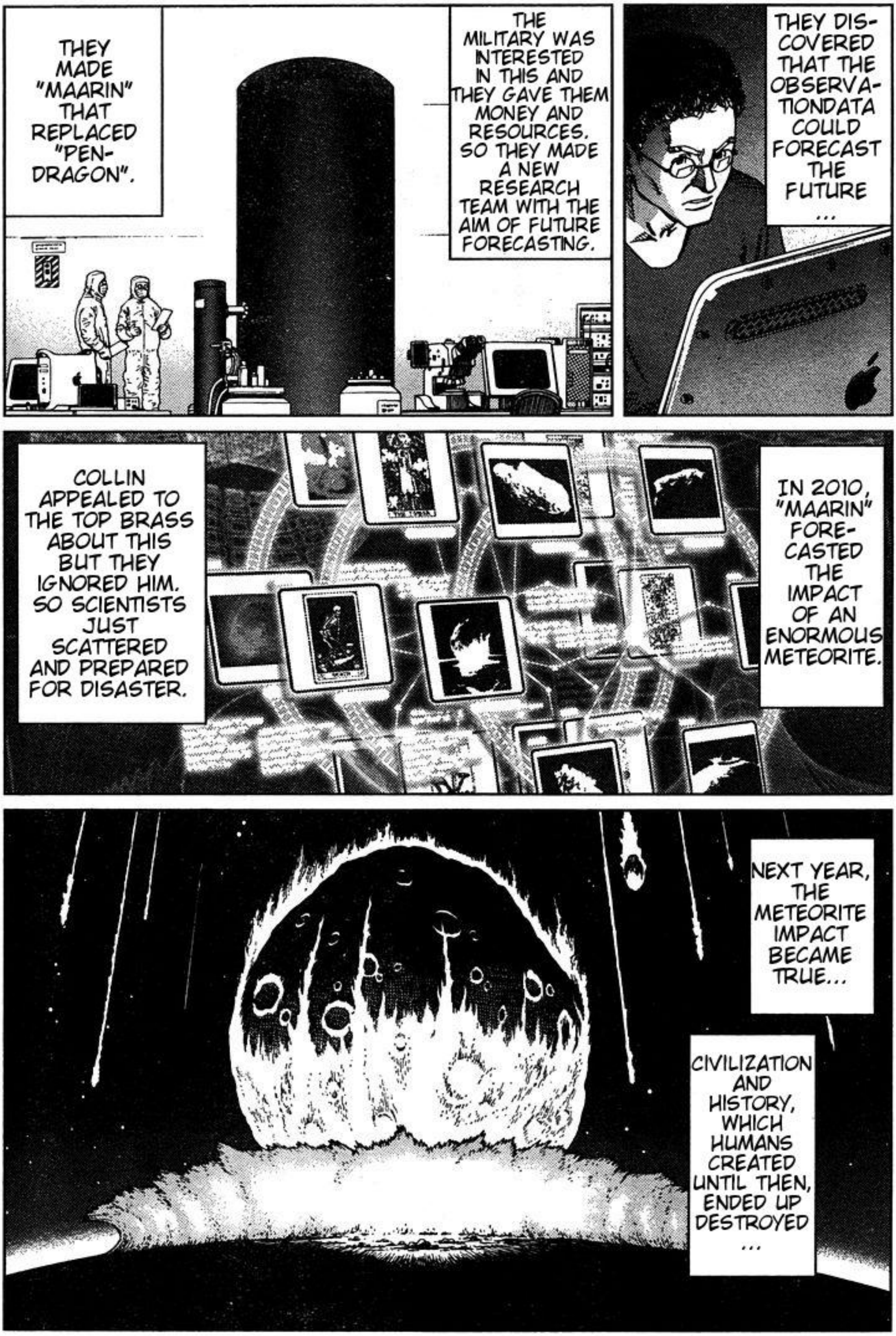
WHAT IS THIS "MIRROR" ??







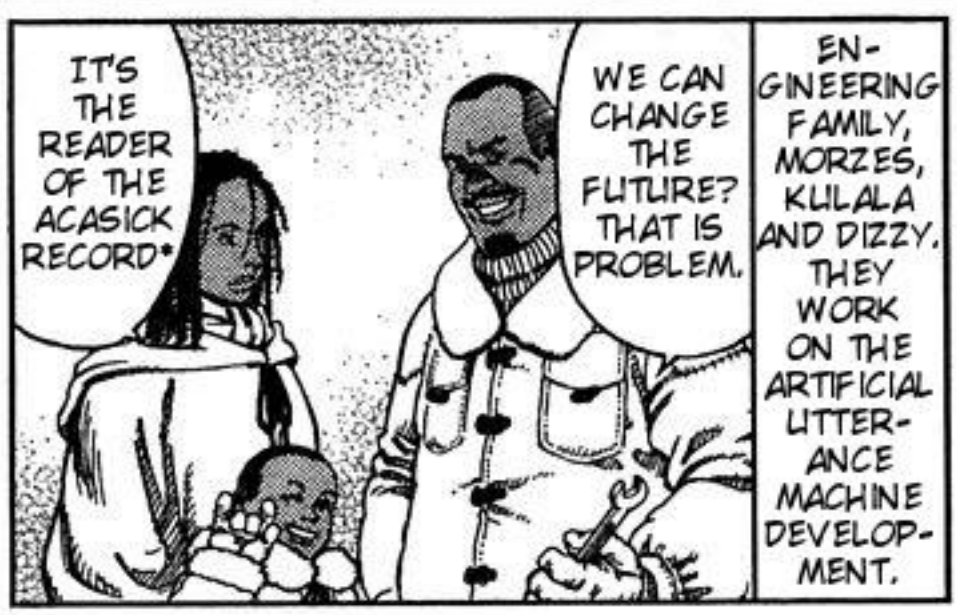
*Veda mathematics: This mathematics has its origins in Brahmanism, a sacred book from ancient India. Use of Sutra arithmetic is such that you can solve complicated calculations easier than with Easton mathematics.
*R. Penrose: (1931-) Mathematician and physicist. He has lots of achievements in space science. He created the "hypothesis of a quantum brain" - quantum effects that occur inside of a cell to create feeling.

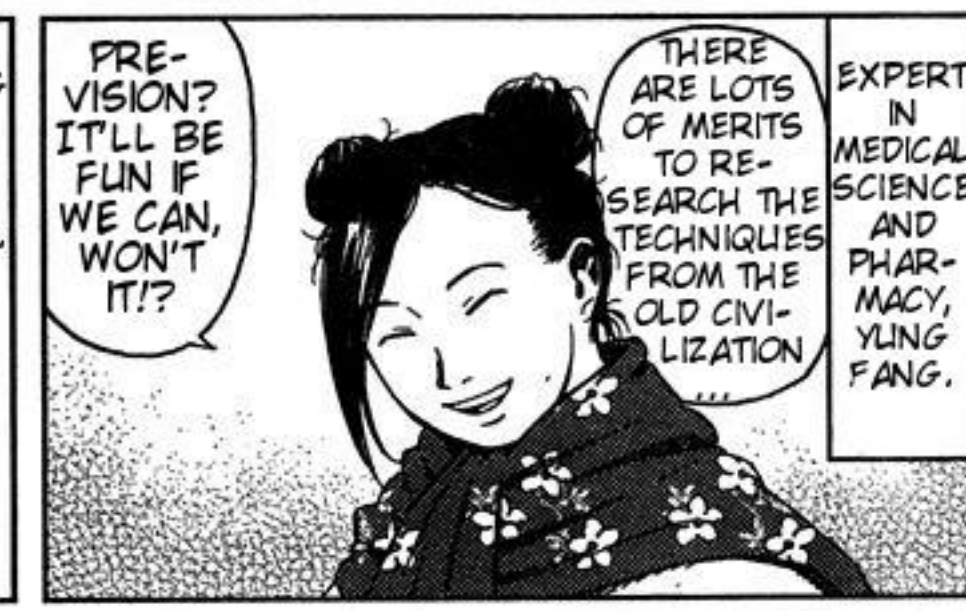

THEY MADE "MAARIN" THAT REPLACED "PEN-DRAGON".
THE MILITARY WAS INTERESTED IN THIS AND THEY GAVE THEM MONEY AND RESOURCES. SO THEY MADE A NEW RESEARCH TEAM WITH THE AIM OF FUTURE FORECASTING.
THEY DIS-COVERED THAT THE OBSERVA-TIONDATA COULD FORECAST THE FUTURE ...
COLLIN APPEALED TO THE TOP BRASS ABOUT THIS BUT THEY IGNORED HIM. SO SCIENTISTS JUST SCATTERED AND PREPARED FOR DISASTER.
IN 2010, "MAARIN" FORE-CASTED THE IMPACT OF AN ENORMOUS METEORITE.
NEXT YEAR, THE METEORITE IMPACT BECAME TRUE...
CIVILIZATION AND HISTORY, WHICH HUMANS CREATED UNTIL THEN, ENDED UP DESTROYED ...

THIS IS A REPLICA THAT WE MADE FROM STUDYING THE ORIGINAL MACHINE...

WE FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS FROM A NOTE-BOOK THAT COLLIN LEFT BEHIND,

SO WE MADE AN EXPEDITION TO GO AND FIND A TRACE OF THE LABORATORY THAT WAS A FEW HUNDRED KM AWAY FROM HERE AND RETRIEVE "MAARIN"...





*Acasick record: Mysterious memory layer that has all information about things that happened after the birth of space.
R. Steiner (1861-1925) suggested it.

I DON'T CARE IF IT FORE-CASTS THE FUTURE OR NOT!!

WELL

IS IT OK THAT THE PROJECT LEADER BEHAVES LIKE THIS?

...I DON'T UNDER-STAND YOU WELL... BUT...

WE SHOULDN'T BE LIKE THAT!!

"MAARIN" HAS TO BE USELESS!

WHEN WE WENT ON THE EXPEDITION TO GET "MAARIN"... HERE WERE BARBARIANS AT THE LABO-RATORY.

AND THEY WORSHIPED "MAARIN" AS A CURSED GOD AND THEY ALMOST OFFERED RADA AS A SACRIFICE TO IT.

TO LEAD OUR HEARTS TO THE FUTURE!!

IT'S JUST A USELESS MACHINE THAT CAN ONLY TELL US THE FUTURE!!

"MAARIN" IS JUST A SYMBOL

BUT WHAT ABOUT THE PEOPLE HERE!?

WE LIVED IN THIS HOLE FOR TOO LONG AND WE LOST OUR SPIRIT!!

I READ IN A BOOK THAT OUR AN-CESTORS TRAVELED TO SPACE.

I THOUGHT HE WAS JUST A TWERP WHO HAS POWER AND CAN ONLY SHOOT ARROWS, BUT...

EVEN IF IT TAKES TIME!!

I WILL BREAK THROUGH THOSE THICK CLOUDS AND SEE THE BLUE SKY SOMEDAY!!

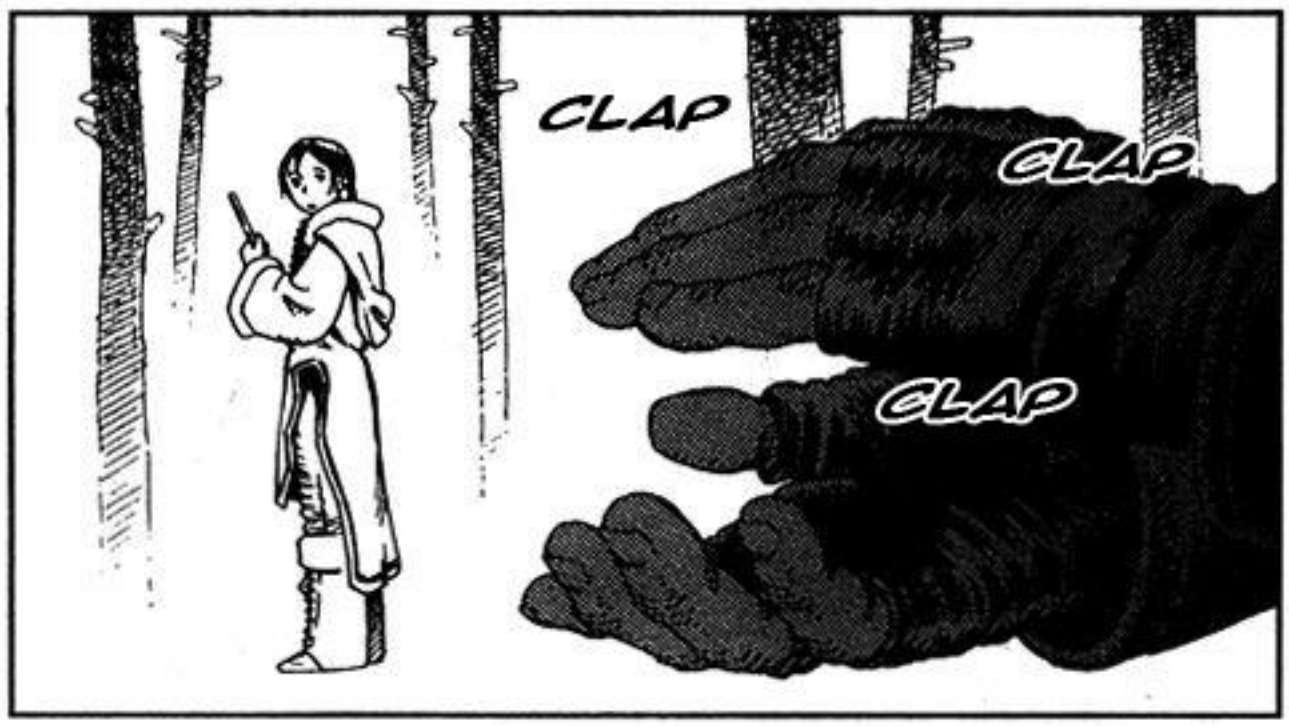
HE CAN CHANGE THIS FROZEN WORLD...

I WANT TO BELIEVE IN THAT.

HE IS A DESCEN-DENT OF THE FARELL FAMILY ...

IT'S LIKE A "MIRROR" THAT SHOWS PEOPLE'S HOPES AND FEARS...

INDEED ...


CLAP
CLAP
CLAP

THAT GENTLE MELODY, FILLED WITH LONGED PASSION ...
YOU MADE IT?

IT WAS BEAUTIFUL ...

EVERYONE WILL BE HAPPY!

IF YOU BECOME OUR FRIEND

YOU MUST BE VICTOR.

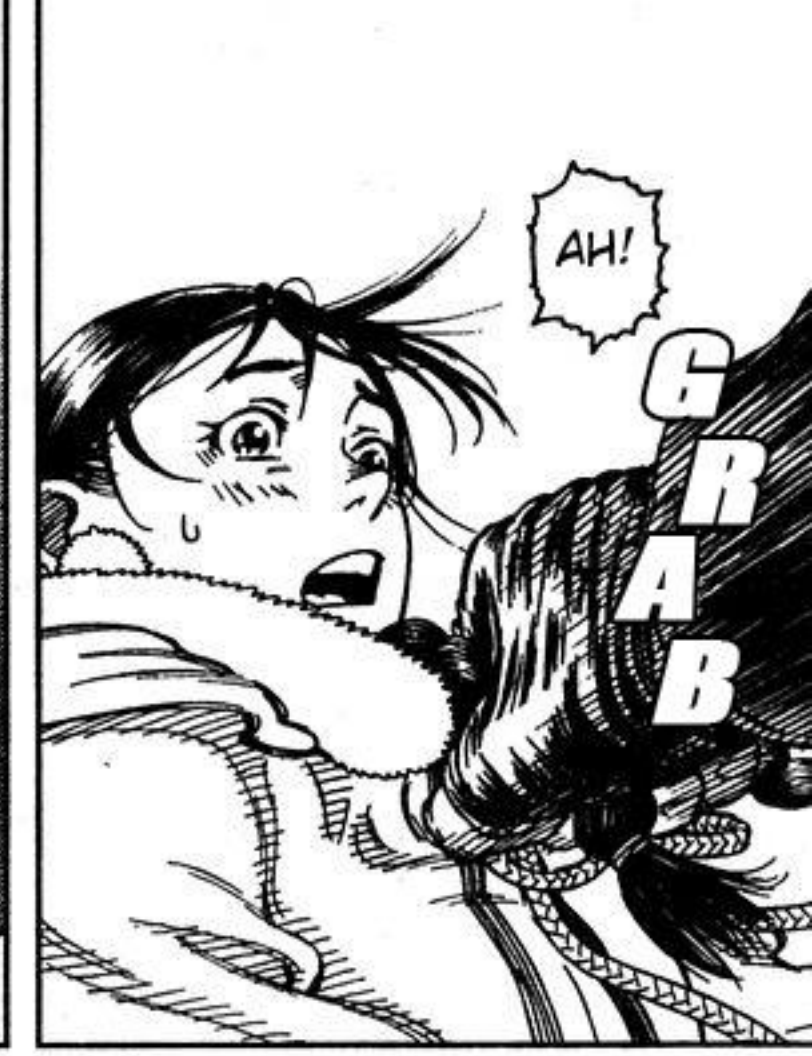
VILMA IS REALLY WORRIED ABOUT YOU...

MY SATISFACTION IS ONLY IN CUTTING A HUMAN'S THROAT OFF AND DRINKING THEIR BLOOD!!

HAPPY? KUKUKU ...

WITH THIS NAIVE INNOCENT HEART AGAIN YOU DECEIVED MY WIFE...

BUT I WILL GIVE YOU A GIFT AS A REWARD FOR YOUR GREAT FLUTE PLAYING!


AH!
GRAB

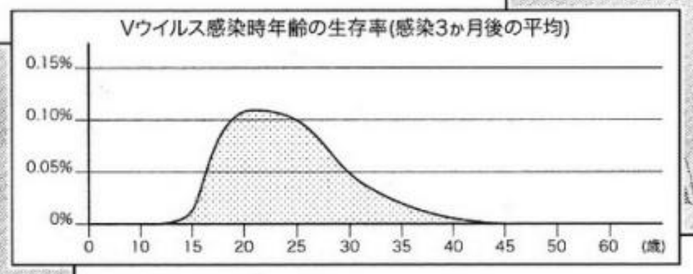
YOU WILL GET IMMORTAL LIFE AND ETERNAL YOUTH.
IF THE DEVIL GIVES YOU HIS BLESSING ...

RIP

NO!!
PLEASE STOP!!

変異ショック(Altered shock)

Vウイルスはきわめて感染しにくく、体液や血液を介してしか感染しない。
いったん感染すると、「変異ショック」と呼ばれる激しい身体反応が起きる。
血圧低下、激痛、幻覚、意識混濁、発熱、痙攣、筋硬直等の症状が約70時間前後続く。
その過程でほとんどの感染者は死亡する。
この死亡率には成長ホルモンや性ホルモンが関係していると考えられている。



また変異ショック発症時の気温も生存率に大きくかかわる。
ある統計によれば気温が25℃を超えると生存率が大きく落ち込むというデータもあり、
これは熱帯地方でV型変異体質者の出現が少ない理由の一つと考えられている。

三大死亡原因

自殺

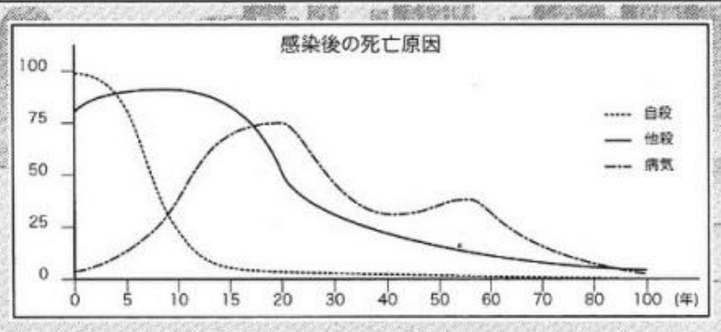
感染者の肉体が変異ショックを乗り越えても安心はできない。今度は精神の危機がやって来る。
肉体の変化にともなって肉食獣的な攻撃衝動が高まっていくが(いわゆる「血の渇き」)、望まずして感染した者、特に善良な者は宗教心や道徳心で本能を抑圧し、変化した自己を受け入れられないことが多い。
そのため感染後10年以内に自殺する者は60%近いという統計もある。
これは、もともと人を殺しても平気な殺人者の精神を持つ者だけがV型変異体質者として適応するという事を示している。

他殺

一方、殺人に快楽を求めるタイプのV型変異体質者が「ソサエティ」の保護監察を受けられなかったケースでは、無謀な犯行をエスカレートさせる傾向がある。
反撃されたり人間社会の警察に追われたりして逆に殺害される例は感染後20年以内に集中している。
その後は経験を積み、襲撃のスキルを上げたり事を荒立てない方法を学ぶ事で逆襲による死亡件数は減っていくが、同族同士の抗争による死亡が原因の大半を占めていく。

病気

外傷には非常に強い肉体を持つV型変異体質者だが病気には意外ともろい。
特に多いのが癌である。これは老化しない細胞分裂のメカニズムと関係があると考えられている。
感染後50年以内に癌を発症する率は通常人の30倍と言われている。
しかし感染後100年を過ぎるあたりから発病率が大きく低下していく。
「ソサエティ」に伝わるジンクスでは、200年生きることができれば、もはや同族との権力闘争以外で命を落とすことはまずないと言われていた。



上記の統計データなどはすべてカタストロフィ以前に「ソサエティ」が集めたものである。
「ソサエティ」はヨーロッパを中心に人間の国家権力に介入するほどの勢力を誇ったが、カタストロフィにより人類の古い文明とともに滅亡した。

解説 銃夢世界における吸血鬼

人類の歴史の中で、超自然的な存在として恐れられてきた吸血鬼。
20世紀後半の生物学の発達により、DNAを変異させる「Vウイルス」に感染して突然変異した人間であることが解明された。
このVウイルスのキャリアを「V型変異体質者」と呼ぶ。

歴史

中世ヨーロッパにおいてキリスト教社会から激しく弾圧された経験から、17世紀頃にV型変異体質者の長老たちが集まり、秘密結社「ソサエティ」を作る。
世界各地に単独で活動しているV型変異体質者達を総合して教化し、自滅を招く過度な暴力行為を抑止するとともに、取引によって表の人間社会と共存するしくみを作り上げた。

「ソサエティ」においては「吸血鬼」という呼び方は人間側からの蔑称である。
そのため彼／彼女らは自分たちのことを「血族」(Cognate)と呼ぶ。

	(伝説上の)吸血鬼	V型変異体質者
人間の血を吸う	◎	◎ ただし普通の食べ物も食べる
不老	◎	◎
不死	△ 弱点を攻められない限り死なない	× 回復力は野生動物並だが、普通に死ぬ
超自然能力	◎ コウモリに変身、煙になって移動、等	×
特殊能力	◎	○ 筋力・感覚は野生動物並。個人によってはさらに特殊能力を発達させている場合も
噛まれると吸血鬼になる	◎	○ ただし生存率は1%以下
子孫を残す	?	× 生殖能力は男女とも失う
十字架に弱い	◎	ただし熱心なキリスト教徒×だった場合、聖痕現象のような反応が出ることもある
鏡に映らない	◎	×
心臓に杭を打たれると死ぬ	◎	◎ 誰だって死ぬ
日光で灰になる	◎	△ 灰にはならないが火傷を負う
ニンニクが嫌い	◎	× 人による

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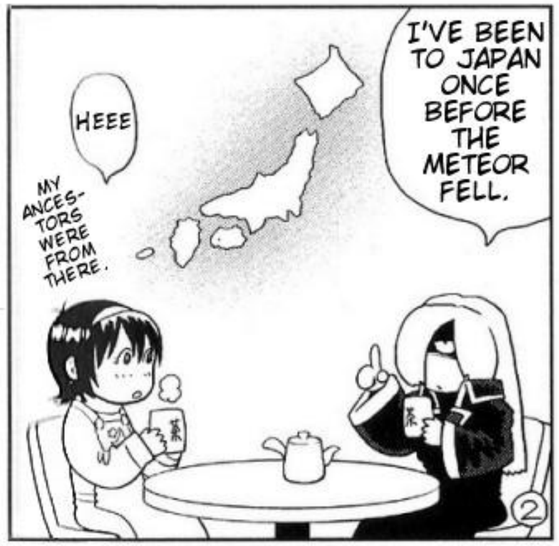

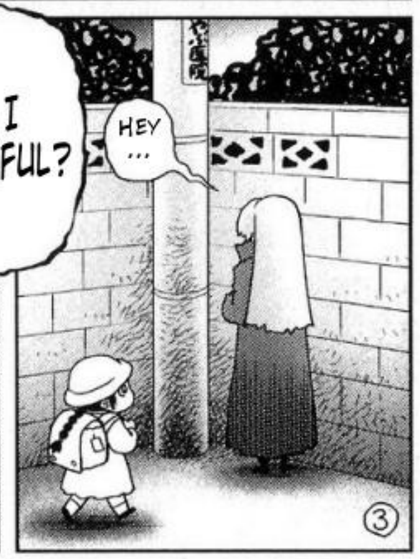

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